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champagnes 68 CBS News color coverage of the Democratic National Convention from Chicago Illinois reporting from our convention headquarters correspondent Walter Cronkite good afternoon from Chicago where the third session of the Democratic National Convention is scheduled to begin just a half hour from now to resume the Vietnam debate interrupted at 1:17 a.m. this morning by delegates shouts for adjournment in quite a hectic scene here in the interim Senator Edward Kennedy has issued a statement saying he would not accept the presidential nomination and that boom has burst and Georgia's governor Maddox says withdrawing his candidacy for the presidential nomination which was never taken very seriously for anybody except governor Maddox last night or early this morning is still night when you really haven't been to bed for very long that's the case with most of these delegates we were digging in here for a session that they

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digging in here for a session that they gave every indication of running till 4:00 or 5:00 o'clock in the morning to hear the presentation of the platform with the highly controversial Vietnam flank and to hear the presentation of the minority of Vietnam flank being presented by a coalition of the McCarthy McGovern and Edward Kennedy forces that session we thought might last to four or five a.m. but we got a very pleasant surprise in a sense a riotous one it all started when a number of the Wisconsin delegation and Don Peterson who incidentally is also Eugene McCarthy's Wisconsin manager a move to adjourn until 4:00 this afternoon chairman carl albert ruled him out of order but a good many of those in the convention hall began shouting we want to go to bed chanting that chant too so that the convention business really couldn't go on and hear on videotape for those few of you those very few who may not have been up at 2:00 a.m. this morning is the end of last night's session convention will be in order the chair recognizes the mayor of Chicago mr. chairman thank you invention will be morning mr. chairman his convention is held for the delegates of the great Democratic Party not for anyone in any balcony trying to take over this meeting and if they don't and they're there they're here mr. chairman their herons get on the Democratic Party and let them conduct themselves accordingly for clear the gallery [Applause]

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that's an act like ladies and gentlemen and here any without the I will the convention being harder will the convention will the convention being from the sergeant-at-arms enforce order in the convention ah Oh [Applause] thank you will the Convention be an order [Applause] we'll the convention being order because may the chairman make a brief statement [Applause] may I make a brief statement it is not in order to make

a general motion to adjourn because that would kill the convention the chair would gladly recognize the distinguished mayor of the city of Chicago to adjourn to a time certain such as twelve o'clock tomorrow mr. chairman I move to adjourn the 12 o'clock tomorrow the question the question is on the motion so many is in favor vote aye those opposed no the eyes have it accordingly the house stands adjourned until 12 o'clock noon tomorrow [Applause]

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well it was quite a hectic night as you see there and it didn't end of course with the adjournment here for these delegates for the news men for others security people who seem to have play as important to part here the convention is anybody else after the journey the journey session here delegates went back down to the loop they found that the National Guard had been called out 700 of them to help control some 2,000 hippies who had gathered in Grant Park across the street from the Hilton Hotel and who apparently the police thought threatened to lay siege to the hotel where are the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee and all of the candidates that never took place of the hippies were fairly calm in the park nobody charged them and they didn't charge the police or the National Guard and most of them slept out in the park overnight which was a violation of city ordinances apparently but nobody felt that they wanted to challenge them the delegates meanwhile went back to their rooms and many of them had informal caucuses throughout the night the Teddy Kennedy boom off the ground during the evening with the report that Steve Smith his brother-in-law and principal consultant had been around town a meeting with the various of the delegations and the candidates including a meeting with the Senator McCarthy the there's a lot of talk here on the floor buttons were passed out and stickers for Teddy Kennedy it looked like that boom was going to get off the ground and perhaps go somewhere but it all ended this morning with us we announced to Teddy Kennedy's announcement that he could not accept the nomination even as he had said the same about the vice-presidential nomination earlier for personal and family reasons and Senator Joseph tidings of Maryland probably put it best when he told CBS this morning that was like a higher high wire Walker who got within an inch of the other end of the wire yesterday it was a almost sure thing that this was an

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was a almost sure thing that this was an honest Draft comparing with that of Wendell Willkie in 1940 but of course today it is over and Humphrey is well on the way to the nomination tonight just this morning Richard Hughes the Governor of New Jersey released his delegation he was listed as a possible favorite son most of the southern governor's released their delegations yesterday and nearly all of those delegations are expected to go to Humphrey the Louisiana's governor McKibben is expected to release his delegation a little later this morning Philip Hart to the Michigan senator however who was for Teddy Kennedy came out for McCarthy this morning there will be this platform fight this afternoon it's a last-ditch effort to by the McCarthy McGovern forces to get a platform that they believe this party can win on and go to the people on for the November election and by some conceived they hope for almost inconceivable hook or crook perhaps the convention could be carried along in its enthusiasm for a piece of platform into a McCarthy or McGovern candidacy it's a very slim hope at this point even by their supporters and Humphrey according to our CBS News delegate count is way over the top and will get the nomination tonight this quick turnaround here this this early morning hours these ten hours we've had between sessions is all it's very difficult for a great many people you see the scene outside the convention hall here the international amphitheater six miles southwest of the loop downtown as the delegates await in the Sun out there trying to get into the hall through the few turnstiles which will accept their very complicated passes that have to be fitted in those little slots you've seen a lot of that turning this vast hall around with all of its

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this vast hall around with all of its facilities is a little bit like turning the Queen Mary around for a return trip to Europe in just ten hours this whole convention hall has to be refueled and stoked with all of those small necessities that make it go delegates would have to allow at least an hour to get downtown and back that's

two hours out of the ten they had all of their conferences deciding where they were going today with both the platform with the candidates since things seem to be changing by the minute here at Chicago so it didn't leave very much time for a night's sleep many of the people here the kind who would rather talk the NAP anyway particularly when they've got politics to talk about and there a lot of it to talk here I'm sure that very few of them had more than three or four hours sleep and that's not going to do any good for their nerves here today and what is likely to be a very nerve-wracking session the turnaround is tough on all of the maintenance people out here when we arrived this morning a couple of hours ago the hall was still strewn with the debris of last night's Carnival of politics and an army of cleanup men who are trying to make it look presentable again for this day's session they seem to have succeeded and incidentally the Paul here is a quite good-looking a decoration job they've done wonders with it reminds me of a semi durante with an old nightclub here in Chicago that used to come out and open his act there it's a chez paree Jeffrey what a what a beautiful name for a warehouse downstairs the man on the cigarette machine was even complaining this morning that that he hadn't had time to replenish his stock the shoeshine boy didn't get to work this morning but since I'm stuck behind this desk I don't suppose that'll bother any of you breakfast was not easy for the delegates to this convention the room service was over an hour at most hotels this morning

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over an hour at most hotels this morning the early hours as everybody tried to get breakfast at the same moment to get off to this hall those of us who would like a cup of coffee and forgo of that this morning Chicago police many of whom have been on duty for as many as 17 hours got some relief from that call-up of the National Guard in Grant's Park overnight but they're back I suppose you could say bright and early this morning all of us here at the CBS News wish mayor Daly a very good morning and we're all ready for the day's events CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment back here at the international amphitheater in Chicago where 16 minutes from now this session which promises to be so exciting the Democratic National Convention as a debates the Vietnam flank to the platform is scheduled to tube again dan Rather and John Carter on the floor out there somewhere with a story on some changes I gather in the seating then what you're a rather strange thing has happened down here that Georgia delegation is now where the Oklahoma delegation was and the Oklahoma delegation is now where the Georgia delegation was they have just put these changes delegations right across the floor now from the beginning for those who may not recall this complex and complicated Georgia situation the reason they did this is the Georgia delegation has been enlarged by this convention so they needed more room to put all the Georgia seats in and I think my colleague John Hart who's here and who lived in Georgia for a while and knows that story well John could you give us the background on exactly what the argument was over Georgia how it was settled well was settle last night yesterday and a caucus of the regular Georgians who are sitting in front incidentally a gentleman came early this morning was writing regular are on the

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morning was writing regular are on the front seats which means that they have first crack at the microphone on the floor today so that the loyalists will sit in the back they will vote separately this allows the regular Georgians who decided not to follow Lester Maddox out of this convention to go back to their constituents and say I did not sit down with Julian Bond which was the real divisive issue here more than any other issue it was Julian Bond and so the Loyalists will vote there 20 and a half votes but first the regulars will vote there 20 and a half votes in voting with them will be the two national committeeman and what's happened here is they they needed extra room for the extra people that they put in the Georgia delegation and so move georgia across the hall but Georgia where Oklahoma used to be and put Oklahoma back on rather bad positioning all on the other side slow we used to call the army event I requisitioned right exactly water also we have with us dr. McKee hydrat who was the gentleman the delegate who was being forcibly ejected from the hall last evening when one of the security guards here of hit me and I thought it might be of some interest to talk to him he's back in the hall tonight dr. Hyde retiro medical doctor re oh yes I'm a general practitioner and I do everything but major surgery only no management Americans a country doctor and you are a

delegate to the convention that is correct the regula now could you tell us what happened to you last night why are these people were trying to throw you out exactly what happened well then I picked up the Georgia standard and yes this one here or one is similar to it and started for the podium with it at that time the blue guards the labs in blue those are the anti frames yes attempted to arrest and death they standard from me this made me very displeased because I felt that it was not unknown that

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felt that it was not unknown that delegates some time carries standards so then I picked up the Georgia flag and I was starting toward 30 or 40 feet away from the podium and then about 25 or 30 it seems perhaps at least 15 or 20 security people all over me now what kind of security people were they policemen well they were not uniforms it would be my guess they were principally a federal but did they identify themselves they did not identify themselves whatsoever and and what did they say to you they said they said not much to me they were very excited and said to each other get him out of here get him out of here what is he doing arrest him arrest him and I said I'm a bona fide delegate I had my badge own I was fully identifiable I told I was a member of the General Assembly of Georgia and them the regular delegation and to put me down now what happened I I came and tried to talk to you just about even with this wall tomorrow he as I understood it tell us what happened from from what you saw well I said I read eventually saw that you were floored you know but I did not know any events that led up to it or why you were being attacked all right well where did they take you the last file last recollection of seeing you was I was on the rug and they whisk you find me where did they take you and what happened that huh well then it took me over here to what would be sort of under the bleachers at a stadium and they talked for a moment of to and they begin to calm down they were much more excited than I was and after they calm down you saw I was a bona fide delicate and that I was a member of the General Assembly of Georgia men the regular delegation and so forth and I have some status they made a hundred eighty three turn and what did they say now they said you're free you're free go back and do what you want to did they ever identify themselves they know they never did identify themselves later an FBI agent came down did identify himself and reassured me that everything was in order but the men who were I lied say I was not ever arrested they never said they were arresting you know they said

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they were arresting you know they said arrest him arrest him but they never told me they were arresting me and they never identified they never did identify the system right now I could not tell you precisely who they were then yes what was dr. Hardin going to do with the banner in the the flag when he marched towards the podium with it dr. Hajra to Walter Cronkite is asking what were you going to do with the Georgia standard or later the Georgia flag mr. Cronkite the standard became a sort of a symbol of protest because we fortified they felt that after 90 years of choosing our delegates in a certain way and being assured by the credentials committee before we arrived in Chicago that we would be the bonafide delegation it was a protest in behalf of the people back in southeast Georgia that I represent the water this gets back to the original controversy in Georgia and I think John Hart has a gentleman mr. dinkler who can give us his views on that John did you want to speak to mr. Bingley yes then the interesting thing now is as a result of the whole division that today on the Vietnam flank you can just about predict what the vote in Georgia will be mr. toeffler how are the regulars going to vote you're wearing a humphrey button we're going to vote for the Humphrey majority which is the plank of Humphrey Johnson and presumably the loyalists will vote the other way I would assume so and I noticed last night when we were getting ready to vote that we were unanimous as a regular so you would predict the vote of Georgia and the plank would be 22 and a half for the majority and 20 and a half against well I can't say I knew they were having some polling in their own delegation I could hear it going on but the division is right down the line between the two delegation that's correct do you still insist that there is not a single Georgia delegation here no I do not there's no single Georgia delegation the good angels committee saw fit to appoint two delegations and you'd there are enough of you left to flesh out your complete delegation that is all of the votes of Georgia can be voted because enough of the regular stayed absolutely

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enough of the regular stayed absolutely now why didn't why didn't you leave with Lester Maddox well we took a poll last Maddox was in the caucus and he said anyone who wanted to as a regular let they can't just be there guys they could stay I'll go this is a repudiation of the governor is it as it's is this a repudiation of the governor's leadership no II made his position very clear on this convention all I know is in the caucus that's where it was each one got up in turn and voted whether they would go or stay now while you are staying here as a Democrat and say you'll go back and remain a Democrat is it conceivable that you will not be able to support the Democratic nominee I'm going to support the Democratic nominee thank you very much Walter thank you gentlemen there are several late reports in this morning as apparently the convention falls in line for Hubert Humphrey where it apparently has been all along senator governor McKibben of Louisiana has now released his delegation and Mills Godwin the governor of Virginia has released his they their delegations were pledged to them as favorite son candidates if they have been placed in nomination but now both men have released their delegations that Governor Godwin of course is back in Virginia at the bedside of his young daughter who was struck by lightning last Sunday but both of those delegations are primarily believed in most of the delegations if not all of them for Humphrey son governor Dan Moore however of North Carolina says that he will release his delegation only after the first ballot in as much as the North Carolina State Convention required that he permit him name to go into nomination and hold for the first ballot but he'll released them immediately thereafter earlier today Governor Maddox of a

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earlier today Governor Maddox of a Georgia withdrew from the candidacy that he had declared only a couple of weeks ago the announcement and the reason for the Maddox withdraw were given by the Georgia governor himself in a statement he read at the Hilton Hotel my conscience will not let me support such programs such platforms and such candidates in obedience to God and in loyalty to my country I denounced them with all the breath within my body with all my voice as a free American and I cannot I will not associate myself with the Socialists who have surrendered to the beatniks the criminal elements of this country the misfits and the misguided at the expense of freedom and liberty and law and order I have issued a request to chairman Brady to withdraw himself all the staff of the Georgia Democratic Party all the resources from the Communists or calmness Duke bond delegation or any other regular or so-called regular delegate or group going under the banner of the name of Georgia Democrats I withdraw my candidacy the seat denomination the presidency of the United States CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment

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here at the International amphitheater in Chicago the site of the 35th quadrennial Democratic National Convention the third session it would appear that we're going to have a late start it was set for a noon today but up there on the podium I see none of the officials of the convention unless they are gathered in phalanx behind that curtain and are ready to march out to slam the gavel and the next two two minutes we're not going to get started on time that obviously will not disappoint a great number of people there aren't more than I suppose Oh a few hundred scarcely a thousand of the 5611 delegates alternates and National Committee members here at this a moment the floor is nearly empty we can't say that not nearly empty there are thousand perhaps or so of them here but probably not enough for a quorum not that a political convention has ever been asked for a quorum that I know of but did any rate that the podium there is not any activity yet and if they were going to start on time there would be some I'm quite certain today this session was called as you know because last night too early this morning at 1:17 they finally gaveled a Flores boisterous convention into an adjournment until this time to begin the consideration of the party's platform for 1968 and particularly the highly controversial Vietnam plank there are two to suggestions one the majority a plank which supports the administration and one the McCarthy McGovern flank which calls for an immediate end to the bombing in North Vietnam and negotiations including the Vietcong at cetera dan schorr is with Senator Hart on a ruling that came from the chair

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on a ruling that came from the chair last night CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago continues in 30 minutes on CBS I disagreed with a plank that called for a single six-year term for the presidency said it was arbitrary and unsatisfactory from every standpoint when I hadn't ran campaign on that in 1928 the Prohibition era the issue did the same thing to the Democrats it called for an honest effort to enforce rubbish and now Smith ran and really was campaigning for the abolition of prohibition so it has happened before we're advised of a change in the order of speakers up there while we go through this musical interlude and harry reasoner may have more on that harry what are what they're attempting to do or what their plan to do is to instead of giving all the majority speakers and then all the minority speakers are going to alternate them first the majority is Edelman already a majority and so on they were having a long discussion about it down below the minority speakers claiming that the convention call was too early and are not prepared although if they were prepared last night I don't whether recurred today certain amount of ability that it's convection is affecting the relations between the people on the planet also new security this is all an area down here but they spent the morning and maybe all of the night putting in doors separate the two sides of the platform down underneath there I don't know exactly why the doors aren't locked there's just another obstruction I suppose if they need it all right you hear any discussion up there about this parliamentary so over whether or not they're going to permit amendments to either the majority or minority since that final the last word we had no kind of vague I think that is probably still above here they don't want to shut off

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above here they don't want to shut off you know the possible for the majority is their submit a slightly well Vietnam flank it would satisfy just enough people to get through if they think that the one they've got is going to lose I either way they want to like the question of whether or not you're new except in it well it certainly was because that was a administration strategy that that if they they don't accept amendments they are throwing down the gauntlet they're saying they either take all or nothing I think anything about it in other words if they can give the delegates as a whole the emplacement there will be no amendments they cut off the possibility of a flood of amends with you might have but if they don't announce it publicly they're offering one if they wanted moment ago I was mentioning these candidates who have not stood on flanks adopted by their party in 1928 there was also a case where a candidate in a very prominent one very possibly well he's up in the running anyway for the Republican nomination backed out said he wouldn't run and withdrew his name I was Frank Loudon of of Illinois because he disagreed with the plank on the farm program of the Republican Party and while he had about as many delegates pledged as anybody said forget it I don't want to run for the presidency on that plank and that was it CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment when I got married I got all these pretty sheep but I was afraid to use them you know the bleach and the wash back at the Democratic National Convention Chicago's International amphitheater where today the discussion of the controversial Vietnam flank of the party's platform in which the candidate

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party's platform in which the candidate was expected to be vice president Humphrey is expected to run we're going to have quite a fight out on the floor this afternoon over that plank a long two-hour debate over it before they finally get to a vote there could be amendments even to the the plank that is adopted that parliamentary decision has not been made as yet there could be excitement outside of this convention hall the mobilization for peace people who claim they have thousands of followers here are expecting to march this afternoon from Grant Park across from the Hilton Hotel down on the Lake Michigan shore front out here this five or six miles to the International amphitheater undoubtedly the police in the National Guard will attempt to stop them at some point some of the militants among them I hope to get all the way to the amphitheater we'll see how that one comes out Harry Reasoner musical interlude goes on it's been going on now for almost a half hour what's the reason for the delay so an argument over a bother to work this procedure of alternating majority of

minority speakers water you can see up here to my left there's a going on with the permanent Herman parallel and Hale Boggs who is running this platform business major arguments in between congressman Susan the majority of proof presenting the majority and Congressman Cola Burton of California well we can try it congressman the way they're going in the here I think along the podium I went over and snuck a microphone in there I might get shot oh yeah I've done rather Club to the ground last night it's been what we what we have been able over here with a major conference have done the place downstairs it's it's a procedural argument there of the question of often total time being is settled but there's a question of how much time we used up

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a question of how much time we used up last night that the majority shouldn't be charged for and a question of whether how it will work today with the alternating this indicates that the area that the McCarthy McGovern forces which intend to fight and press every inch of the way don't mean simply before the delegates but back there in this rambling over the parliamentary procedure as well ident on both sides is the main one of the main questions that were arguing about downstairs with congressman Hobbs felt that he had been unfairly charged with a certain amount of time because he was talking and explaining things relating to the disturbance in the adjournment and though he wants on his time back he used up 15 minutes of the initial half-hour last night what he wants something look back congressman Burton doesn't supposed to give it to admit so if it's not at someone with a good manner Harry and well when you say that you don't mean that they're shouting at each other up there no not now they're not shutting up here but they were certainly guarding downstairs yeah you know and all that confusion last night I'm not sure that I'm even that I even know what how far they got in the presentation of the platform Hale Boggs was his reading excerpts what he was reading a he said he had tried to get somebody else to read it but he had to I I believe that part of it is done I believe they are now in the in the situation where a congressman Boggs will go ahead with the Vietnam plank part and that you'll be the first to be heard from available immediately into this alternating business they seem to have gotten it set elating most of Myr here congressman Burton of New York was the one who was not ready he said you'll have to play a lot of music cuz I'm not ready and he was quite right well they have played a lot of music and one thing they've done is they've pretty well filled the hall let me just see if I can get congressman ball [Music]

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though they are just waiting on congressman Burton of New York to get material ready when he gets up those days [Music] as John Criswell executive director of the convention explaining that there's no serious problem there is delay but congressman Burton California is a director of the of the effort McCarthy McGovern effort to put through this minority plank we might give you a quick review of what those planks provide the on Vietnam the majority platform plank drawn up by the or at least approved by a majority of the hundred and ten members of the platform committee a man and a woman from each state appointed by their delegation to this convention provides that our most urgent task in Southeast Asia is to end the war in Vietnam by an honorable and lasting settlement which which respects the rights of all the people of Vietnam and I'll come back to that in a moment because then rather is with Governor Connally of Texas on the floor there Dan [Music] hello Dan Governor John Connally of Texas how do you think this platform vote is going to go well I assume Dan we're talking about the Vietnam plank because that's our the only thing that I think it's gonna be a great controversy about I think it's gonna be a close vote I don't think it's any question though there's none in my mind that the majority report failed that the minority report will not carry in this convention go to the people who view this convention just sort of come in and out and it's very hard for them to follow what's going on what's alive and working on this floor

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what's alive and working on this floor Vietnam plane one has the feeling that the party is just about to be split apart at the seams well I think correct I think there's some spoilers in this convention and they've concentrated on this plank on Vietnam this prank on yet to any reasonable person it seems to me is totally unacceptable I mean it it just does not reflect the feeling of these people of this country it is basically an isolationist plank or specifically what is on the on the thing they first say and I'm into all bombing well we know about this they say the protection of the troops not a military man in the country that won't tell you that you can't protect the troops along the DMZ if you stop all the bombing four-fifths of the country up there the second we're going to negotiate a mutual with my answer that is how takes to to negotiate to to make we're trying to negotiate with an oil in Paris now with no success will encourage ourself getting these allies to negotiate a political reconciliation with a National Liberation threatened withdrawal SuperBrawl if they don't do it is threatening your allies threatening the signatories to a peace treaty I think if we went through with this it shocked every nation in the world over 40 of treaties with male interface and torque to reduce casualties below the present level and lower the level of violence by reducing offensive operations retreat into defensive Conclave this is a sure way to kill more American boys a military standpoint you can't fight a war on a defensive basis alone any objective analysis of these planks in this Bernardo report seems to me would be totally unacceptable to the American people in the vast majority of American people do not subscribe to this view cover one last question you mentioned spoilers how much of this do

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mentioned spoilers how much of this do you think personal animosity President Johnson why they don't know that so much it as it is that he's a symbol of what they're trying to do here they have to pick out something and some of it may be personal but I can't imagine that it is most of these people who are put in that category have really endorsed the program that he's put through the Congress the last four years thank you very much governor John Connally of Texas Walter Thank You governor helped Hale Boggs has just introduced Phillip Burton the congressman from California let's listen a moment I would like to note for the record [Music] the unexcelled cooperation and fairness given to all members of the drafting committee as well as the full committee on platforms and resolutions exhibited by our outstanding chairman and the Minority Whip Majority Whip of the House Hale Boggs this is circled this is sort of the oratorical equivalent of the captains of the team shaking hands or they go into combat these are the leaders of the two sides by and large you know the leader of the forces for the McCarthy McGovern flank Hale Boggs is the leader of the Dorothy Johnson fight but of course there was the expected division on the all-important issue of our policy in Southeast Asia and even in that respect the opportunity for those who differ from the chair to speak their mind and to press their point of view as available at all times and I think at this point in the deliberations it should be noted that

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deliberations it should be noted that every single point of view and this certainly would include those that agreement virtually all but disagree with our plank with reference to Southeast Asia I think this record should reflect the outstanding job done by our most eminent majority with the distinguished congressman from Louisiana Hale Bob's a nice old state thank you very much the debate begins this will be the beginning of this classic debate such as hasn't been the site presented at a political convention in many a decade historical significance as these two sides present their positions on Vietnam now read the majority and Minority Report [Music] mr. chairman the majority plank on Vietnam our most urgent task in Southeast Asia is to end the war by an honorable and lasting settlement which respects the right of all the people in our peace and stability final area of Southeast Asia we have borne a heavy burden in helping South Vietnam the counter aggression and subversion from the north we reject as unacceptable a unilateral withdrawal of our forces which would allow that aggression and subversion to succeed we have never demanded and do not know

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have never demanded and do not know unconditional surrender by the communists we strongly support the Paris talks and applaud the initiative of President Johnson which brought North Vietnam to the peace table we hope that monoi will respond possible to this act of statesmanship in the quest for peace no solutions are free of risk but calculated risk are consistent with the responsibility of a great nation to seek a peace of reconciliation recognizing that events in Viet I'm the negotiations in Paris may affect the time and the actions we record we would support government in the following step gommi stop all bombing of North Vietnam when this action would not endanger the lives of our troops in the field this action should take into account the response from Hanoi troop withdrawal negotiate with the Noi an immediate end or limitation of hostilities and that withdrawal from South Vietnam of all foreign forces both the United States and allied forces and forces infiltrated from North Vietnam election of post-war government encouraged all parties and interests to agree that the choice of the post-war government of Vietnam should be determined by fair elections open to all major political factions and parties prepared to accept

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factions and parties prepared to accept peaceful political process we would favor effective international presence to facilitate the transition from war to peace and sure the protection of minorities against reprisal interim defense and development measures until the fighting stops accelerate our efforts to train and equip the South Vietnamese Army so that it can defend its own country and carry out cut back to the u.s. military involvement as a South Vietnamese forces are able to take over their larger responsibility we should simultaneously do all in our power to support and encourage further economic political and social development and reform in South Vietnam including annex the land reform program we support President Johnson's repeated offer to provide a substantial US contribution to the post-war Iraq reconstruction of South Vietnam as well as to the economic development of the entire region including North Vietnam Japan of the European industrial states should be urged to join in this post-war up for the future we will make it clear that US military and economic nature will be selected in addition to considerations of our vital interest and our resources we will take into account the determination of the nations that request our help to help themselves and their willingness to help each other through a regional and multilateral cooperation we want no bases in South Vietnam

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Vietnam no continued military presence and no political role in Vietnamese affair if and when they communists understand our basic commitment and limited goal and are willing to take their chances as we are on letting the choice of the post-war government of South Vietnam be determined freely and peacefully by all of the South Vietnamese people then the bloodshed and the tragedy can stop now mr. chairman the minority flank on Vietnam as follows nearly 200,000 American men have been casualties in Vietnam and 25,000 the United States and more than 100 billion dollars this war has heavily in human life all the resources we so badly need to rebuild our cities from the quality of life for all American and to meet our other obligations around the world discarding judgment about the wisdom of the past we must not and in which our own future by bringing the water in Vietnam to a swift conclusion it is to this cause of early peace that the Democratic Party is now commits itself nor can we be content with the the us statements which mark former the Republican Party or a meaningful player to peace also demands the courage to make commitments to those countries the guys most likely to hasten the end of the conflict and destruction we have taken so many risks for war we must now take some for peace that war must be ended now it will not be ended in the

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ended now it will not be ended in the military victory surrender or you thought overall by either side it cannot be ended by a further us escalation either increasing our troops introducing their weapons or extending the geographically it must therefore be ended by a fair and realistic compromise settlement although the war in Vietnam is complex the steps toward peace can be simply stated first an unconditional end to all bombing of North Vietnam while continuing to provide in the south and other support for American troops we will then

negotiate a neutral withdrawal of all United States forces and all North Vietnamese troops from South Vietnam this should be a phased withdrawal over a relatively short period of time today which is really already plank we will encourage ourselves allies to negotiate a political reconciliation the Liberation Front looking toward a government which is broadly representative and whole in South Vietnamese society the specific shape of this reconciliation will be a matter for decision selfish spurred to action by the certain knowledge that the crop of American military support will soon be gone in addition the South Vietnamese will assume increasing responsibility for the resolution of the conflict and for responsibility for determining their own political destiny we will of course extend economic and other assistance to help rebuild in this society which

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to help rebuild in this society which are ravaged by war forth to reduce American casualties and the suffering of Vietnamese civilians we will lower the level of violence while reducing offensive operations in these countryside that's enabling an early withdrawal of a significant number of our truth we will of course continue to provide all necessary military support for American troops confronted by hostile forces in this way we can eliminate all of Vietnam our troops will leave no the North Vietnam will also depart it will be up to the South Vietnamese to achieve political and social reconciliation among their warring people we will also seek the participation of international authority to guarantee troop withdrawals and the granting of asylum to political refugee thus we can reasonably anticipate as we leave on their way political economic and

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on their way political economic and those are the majority and minority reports which are about to be debated CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment Carl Albert just called Hale Boggs to call for his first speaker for the majority administration report as a speaker on behalf of the majority the distinguished senator from the great state of Maine the Honorable Edwin muskie done at the muskie mr. chairman and delegates to this convention sometimes in the emotion of the debate on Vietnam we overemphasize our differences and ignore our wide areas of agreement no responsible leader wants unilateral withdrawal none seeks to escalate the war all major participants in this debate seek a negotiated political settlement and an end to the war all call for an end to the bombing a ceasefire and withdrawal

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the bombing a ceasefire and withdrawal of all foreign troops from South Vietnamese saw it and finally all forward to the day when the fighting ends and we and other industrial nations of the world can join in a concerted effort to rebuild both North and South Vietnam the disagreement among us involves the question of finding the most effective way of moving toward a political settlement and an end of the war some [Music] would have us take another unilateral action and stop all bombing north of the 17th parallel period hoping that this would somehow induce the North Vietnamese to respond accordingly others cannot understand pause if the North Vietnamese truly want a negotiated settlement they refuse to provide a meaningful indication that they are prepared to respond to further de-escalation on our part they argue that successive unilateral steps by us to de-escalate the war without the slightest response from annoy will serve to prolong the war not to shorten it and result in needed

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to shorten it and result in needed needleless casualties for South Vietnamese civilians for our own boys and those of our lives mr. chairman the two planks before us reflect these differences of opinion there are real differences but the dividing line is not the desire for peace or war the dividing line is limited to means not in both versus call for an end to bombing in North Vietnam the majority does so within the framework of protection of our troops in the field the minority does not consider such bombing to be relevant to true protection the majority leaves the question of timing and tactics to the president and his negotiators the

minority attempts to dictate tactics from this political convention both versions call for withdrawal of foreign troops from South Vietnam the majority calls for negotiation of an immediate end or limitation of hostilities and the withdrawal from South Vietnam of all foreign forces the minority refers to a phased withdrawal over a relatively short period of time the practical difference if any between these two

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difference if any between these two versions is negligible both plans address themselves to the post-war government of South Vietnam the majority looks to negotiations between the interested parties and to free elections carried out if necessary under international supervision to protect the rights of all the citizens of South Vietnam the minority provides no equivalent protection once troops are withdrawn the minority would force a coalition government on South Vietnam without any encouragement toward free elections both plans suggest a reduction in the intensity of the war in South Vietnam and a shift of responsibility to the South Vietnamese for defensive operation even prior to a final agreement with the North Vietnamese and the National Liberation Front both plans support economic assistance in Southeast Asia with increased emphasis on regional and multilateral cooperation both plans suggest new directions in our relations with the countries of Southeast Asia I wish mr. chairman there had been an accommodation within the platform committee I wish a spirit of compromise had moved to resolve the differences each of these plans commits us to an

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each of these plans commits us to an early negotiated settlement each supports the idea of calculated risks to move us toward that settlement the choice is there a negotiated settlement with or a negotiated settlement without safeguards to protect free elections a negotiated settlement which forces a coalition government on the South Vietnamese or one that supports their right to decide that question a bombing halt with or a bombing halt without consideration of the air protection for our troops against military risks arising north of a demilitarized zone the kind of protection I remind you that brought relief to our boys at Khe Sanh mr. Chairman I urge the adoption of the majority plank I was reading husky I've been presenting the first argument is a choice on the [Music] issue rules again this is congressman

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issue rules again this is congressman our permanent chairman our great majority leader a man who is known to all to be eminently fair heavenly thoughtful evidently considerate and who was overwhelmingly reen Amin ated just yesterday for re-election in his district in Oklahoma Carl Albert our Majority Leader paying tribute to Carl Albert the speaker this this has been a hearty plank compliments from being passed back and forth here between by the distinguished Democratic nominee former congressman from Ohio and the Democratic nominee and next United States Senator from Ohio Jack Gilligan the distinguished Attorney General from the state of Illinois our Democratic nominee and the next senator to represent the great state of Illinois William Clark and the skillful advice and assistance of Ted Sorensen pierre salinger representing george mcgovern and dick Goodwin representing Senator McCarthy [Applause] and as one uncommitted delegate to this convention I would open submit that the deliberations on this issue will be on their merits the issue of peace and war is much too important to have any of the

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is much too important to have any of the delegates concerned about the welfare of their candidate reject the proposition if they otherwise believe it to be sound simply because they fear it may adversely reflect on the nomination of their favorite we support the Minority Report represent individuals who are not only in all of the various camps but uncommitted as well and all of us urge that you listen to us with an open mind and that you weigh the debate on the merits as I'm sure you will now as for me I am opposed to the current course and conduct of a war in Vietnam [Music] [Applause] I view this war as an effort to resolve by military means problems that are essentially political social and economic I've you this conflict is essentially an indigenous

one where the people in Vietnam are just seeking to have the opportunity on the right to carve out their own destiny without the oppression or the dictation of the Japanese as they did during the 1940s without the oppression or the dictation of the French as they did in the 1950s and I'm certain they view our effort in that area no different than the other two people countries that had prevented them in my view from rearranging and determining the course of events as they saw fit and I submit if we continue our effort in Vietnam we're going to wander more and more into the jungle mists of Asia I fear that many more Vietnamese will be killed many more brave Americans will perish many mothers and fathers will read and this great nation will be cast over by a shadow that only the passage of time will dispel history will judge this nation in this convention in my

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this nation in this convention in my view aren't sleep if we fail to act or contribute in any manner that we made to the prolongation of this war or its escalation at a time when this nation still mourns the tragic death of one of its vital young leaders seeks answers to the causes of violence within our society is it not apparent to all but those who dare not see that this war bears great responsibilities for the atmosphere in which we find ourselves by our conduct we have affirm that in the affairs of nation war and violence are acceptable instruments in solving death differences is it any wonder that in the affairs of men resorting to violence becomes more frequent mr. chairman as the war in Vietnam continues and we find ourselves committed to more money expended in any given month to destroy the countryside some 10,000 miles away then we spent in a full year and our war on poverty at home I would think that this is not acceptable as we find that we spend more in a year in Vietnam than we spend all the great income maintenance programs of this nation I would think that that's not acceptable and as we know that education is a desperate problem in this land that we spend more money in two weeks and destruction in Vietnam than we spend under the federal Elementary and Secondary Act to educate the youth of our land and I think those resources are

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our land and I think those resources are spent in a way where we spend so much more on destruction than we do on reconstruction and reconciliation at all must reorder his priorities [Applause] so may I say is it not time to say let us disengage is it my time to act it away as to de-escalate the conflict the lifeblood of this nation must be shed how many more needs of our people must go on map of a better life fulfilled must we wait before we need the voices of goodwill this land for peace and the anti administration of campaign sixty-eight continue this message Senator Mayo Magee of Wyoming Oregon speaking for the majority report on the surrounding areas that's the way the question began in the first place the assaults are crowned and across the 17th parallel occurred at the very moment

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parallel occurred at the very moment that North Vietnamese troops were occupying large sections of Laos they occurred while sections of Cambodia were also occupied and northeastern Thailand and Burma what this says to us is that it cannot be divorced from the whole of Southeast Asia and thus the issue confronting us becomes a measuring of the impact of the two proposed planks not alone on Vietnam but of all of the east in our United quest for peace in that area we stand here today in this convention nearly a quarter of a century after we committed to assist and to shield the newly independent governments of Southeast Asia in achieving a measure of dignity through independence a whole generation of new leaders a whole generation of new governments a whole generation of new economic and social programs in all of those small lands have been undertaken in the expectation that the United States would assist in trying to achieve some semblance of orderly change in the area that's what's at stake now it behooves us to ask ourselves what happens if we withdraw so rapidly without any measure of the consequences elsewhere what happens to Laos when we leave they're gone what happens to Cambodia what happens to the neighboring nations little Singapore has reminded us that if we retreat we see

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reminded us that if we retreat we see before their own infrastructure of security can be realized that their days are numbered the Tunku of Malaysia when he was here reminded us of the same grim know if Southeast Asia comes unraveled who then can vouch for the capabilities of preventing the unhinging of Korea and all the fat port entities you see so much hangs on this tiny little place on the globe of Korea it is all cut from the same fabric of the entire world the world has become a matter of massive concern to us because of our role of leadership in - it's the history of our time has passed it and that's why it has been so difficult to untangle they many thread is running through the complications and problems in a place like Vietnam but that ought to warn us all against absolute judgment against knowing for sure that the other guy is wrong and only I am right it ought to humble us as we seek the wisest way in my judgment the majority platform plank keeps open the most of those options for us and I would add my friends that as we seek some reasonable restrained measure of survival in this nuclear age that surely we understand that Republicans and Democrats aren't the only ones involved indeed it is the

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the only ones involved indeed it is the world and the problems are bigger than either party they're much larger than a convention floor and it seems to me it's imperative that this great convention supply the next president of the United States with those same free options to lead to lead toward peace and not hobble him with restraints and particularly that this convention likewise not complicate the tasks of negotiators the world is too small the times too frightening for the playing of political games with not our own fade alone but with the direction of hope in the globe and this is why I submit the basic difference between the two platform planks is the options that are hours after November the times will change before the ink on this platform is dry we have to point a direction we dare not freeze a situation and the majority platform plank does that the world is round the United States is a part of it there's no longer a place to hide we have to make our peace with it and around it and our role is that of rising to the responsibilities of our leadership in the world 23 year old senator Gail McGee of Wyoming speaking for the administration Vietnam flanked the Illinois caucus as completed Nelson Benton reports that it went 112 votes for Hubert Humphrey three from McCarthy and three from government as well over the clock no block to his

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well over the clock no block to his nomination here tonight now I understand that Humphrey will be placed in nomination by San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto that name has just been given to us they've just introduced a Paul O'Dwyer to speak for the minority McCarthy McGovern flank on Vietnam he is a candidate for the Senate in New York this year when against the popular Republican senator Jacob Javits former New York City consonants brother of a lake former mayor of New York City you're cutting into my time I've got four minutes New York delegation demonstrating for him you are call upon here not so much to well upon a platform a majority report on a Minority Report but in truth to rescue this convention in his invocation rabbi Cohen said quoting the Prophet the whole head is sick and the whole heart is faint let us hope that the rabbi was not a prophet of the deliberations of this convention by the result that comes from your vote here today you are call upon not so much to listen to an argument about the Minority Report of the majority report because that's mere rhetoric you are called upon and to pass the majority report to actually approve a four more years of the same that's precisely what it is it is all together it is all together

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it is all together it is all together too late here for us to begin to discuss the merits of the war in Vietnam that question has been presented to 7 million Democrats across this nation that question was presented in the States where there are primaries and the people have found an indictment of that war [Applause] they have they have returned an indictment that the war is unconscionably cruel that it is highly immoral that it is disastrously wasteful and that it is unbelievably Savage they have concluded that thirty billion dollars that is wasted in that war could well be spent to relieve the burdens and the problems in the inner city and poverty in our country areas that that it could be spent that it could be spent to dispose of the inequities that exist and

last within us that we have now a chance here to reprieve ourselves we have a chance at least to eliminate the sickness and the faintness that has come over us we have failed once already we have put the brand of racism upon this convention by failing to heed the Minari reports already of those who would seek equality that is once and for all let us prove to the young people of America that the difference between us and the Republicans is not rhetoric as

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and the Republicans is not rhetoric as they say it is let us not give them an argument from this point on for leaving us as they will unless we pass a meaningful plank with respect to Vietnam thank you Paul O'Dwyer speaking for the minority McCarthy McGovern flank CBS news color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment [Music] I breathe better my saves us money how come look my for those of us and point out to them that we have to play a majority and a minority of which we must take one or the other I support the majority plank because I think that it is the better of the two I would not want anyone to feel that because of my support that I do not have or did not have my doubts as to the wisdom of the decisions that got us involved in the particular war that we are now in but I would be the first to admit that the wisdom that I have with the use of hindsight was not available to President Eisenhower President Kennedy or President Johnson I would not want you to feel that with my support that I believe that all of the tactics and the strategy which has been used in

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and the strategy which has been used in this war in Vietnam has been in the best interest of the servicemen in that war but I want to point out to you if I may I would like to speak this this afternoon in behalf of the serviceman in Vietnam because I believe that many of the decisions that are being made here in this convention hall by we politicians have been dictated by the prospects of victory or defeat victory or defeat in November and I say to you that the serviceman has been handicapped enough in the past and for God's sakes if you adopt the Minority Report you are going to jeopardize the lives of the servicemen in Vietnam [Applause] so so please I beg of you don't play God with their lives adopt a majority report [Applause] I was governor Warren Hearns of Missouri speaking for the majority David shoemaker party headquarters reports that John Kenneth Galbraith the Julian Bond are going to be second heirs for the nomination of Eugene McCarthy that

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the nomination of Eugene McCarthy that name will be placed in nomination by Harold fuze governor of Iowa another minority speaker now have been introduced kenneth O'Donnell from Massachusetts 44 year-old former appointment secretary to President Kennedy don't be the so-called Irish for mafia I come to you to speak on behalf of the Minority Report I represent no candidate we those of us who have the privilege of being associated with President Kennedy in his days in the White House and associated again with a Senator Robert Kennedy in his quest for the impossible dream joined together because we felt so strongly that someone must be cut the standard that someone must face up to the grave crisis that faces the United States of America both here at a home and abroad [Applause] I served in all the deliberations of the platform committee and on the staff that drafted this report and I too joined the chairman and the members for the very constructive approach to the problems in the crises here in the United States but I would like to present to this convention a platform that the Chairman suggested which really is the most forward-looking document perhaps this Democratic Party or all the United States has ever seen it speaks to the great problems of the United States the problems of the city the problems of civil rights the problem that the Kern report addressed itself to the problems of the lack of education of any of our citizens the problem of our role as citizens of labor of all the age of all of the things that affect the United States of America and it's peaches own in terms of a crisis that must be met we in the platform committee wrote a document that looks to the future and not to the past until a plank was introduced that in my judgment does not face the crises of the future the platform we wrote calls upon you as delegates Congress to face up to the

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delegates Congress to face up to the problems of America it calls upon us to spend billions and billions of dollars to carry out the recommendations and the suggestions that we incorporated in our platform and that you will adopt at some stage today billions of dollars of new money to meet the crisis of the cities to help on this to help the states meet their own problems at home and ladies and gentlemen it is the height of but the fact we are spending 30 billion dollars a year in a foreign adventure in South Vietnam it must end [Applause] we have said unconditional bombing how because this is a prerequisite that Hanoi has suggestion are they will not talk let the majority full report not delude us it does not change one iota from what we have suggested in the past we suggest we look to the future let us recognize there is a civil war in Vietnam between the Saigon government and many other indigenous forces the Vietcong but many others let us recognize that fact the minority report says they must negotiate with each other about their own country and that hanne-liebe home and let the United States bring her 600,000 troops on that's what we seek and lastly let me just complete let us not to lose the American people that we can adopt this platform in its domestic sense meet our responsibilities for vast expenditures of money to meet the problems of the United States of America and continue a foreign adventure a foreign engagement that is costing us 30 billion dollars a year this is the height of your responsibility and let us not leave this convention as the Republicans left Miami promising all things to all people thank you very much CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment [Applause] Joey your Lana came into the platform

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Joey your Lana came into the platform mrs. Jerry Joseph sub Minnesota vice chairman of the Humphrey campaign go America the majority report calls for the election of a government in South Vietnam an election in which all parties and faction may participate the Minority Report demands that the Saigon government now before an election and before a ceasefire negotiate with the Communist National Liberation Front to create a government which is made up of all elements in South Vietnam my friends what is our single our only purpose in Vietnam it is to provide conditions under which the people of South Vietnam may know peace and begin the long process of recovery and development I believe that the election of a truly representative government is the only way to lasting peace and I believe that an imposed coalition government is no more than a stepping stone to a disruptive long term communist table the minority plank does not mention pre-election we fall on an end to that war in Southeast Asia not just some of us but all of us we need more the political tactics sometimes used by the Saigon government we are all frustrated by the very hard of being and Ally and not the Supreme

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of being and Ally and not the Supreme Commander but if we want a lasting answer in Vietnam if we want a government which truly has the support of the people and the people then feld must choose their leaders freedom of choice self-determination the right of people to choose these are the beings of America's message to the world so it has been and so it is now if we abandon a nation for which we have fought so hard and so long if we abandon it at the moment when realization insight then what hope can there be for people in Eastern Europe what hope for people throughout the world for whom self-determination is still no more than an elusive dream [Music] names added to the list of speakers here it's generated Davis of Kentucky speak for the majority of Wayne hazel Ohio senator Lee iseman of Edmondson of Oklahoma for the majority and grants lawyer former governor Nevada was became an order this is Phillip Burton to congressman San Francisco who was controlling the time for the Mike McCarthy McGovern minority presentation the Democratic nominee in the next United States Senator from Ohio a man who played a very key part in the development of this comprehensive and thoughtful Minority Report the Honorable Jack Gilligan [Applause] mr. chairman fellow delegates of a

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mr. chairman fellow delegates of a Democrats we are gathered here in this great convention in free assembly as free men to consider certain proposals which we as a party must take to the people this fall we must now consider not only what this long and tragic conflict in Vietnam has done to that tortured nation but what it is done to America to our plan to our ideals to our image of ourselves as a people we have not only devastated Vietnam but we have distorted the vision of America we went to Vietnam to help but now we remain to destroy we did not intend it so but as Tacitus once said we have created a desert and called it peace we wanted the people of the UN of Vietnam to live in freedom now our concern is that they be able to live at all [Applause] we went there to preserve freedom now there is no freedom in Vietnam north or south [Applause] we wanted to save the children of Vietnam from tyranny now we want to save them from death and one of ourselves and one of our people and one of our sons we have lost 25,000 young American lives in Vietnam lives and talents which this

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in Vietnam lives and talents which this nation desperately needs for the solution of our problems at home we have spent a hundred billion dollars money and resources which again are needed for the repair of the ravages in our own society scripture says what father if asked by his son for bread would give him a stone our young men have asked for a chance to build and develop and we have sent them overseas to destroy and to kill [Applause] our young black people have asked to be trained for a job and we have trained them for warfare [Applause] [Music] we are told we cannot afford to rebuild our cities because the necessary funds are diverted to this destruction of the villages of Vietnam I say to you that we here in this convention today are facing the ultimate decision which the people of this country are going to have to make in the weeks and the months ahead if the leadership to make this terrible and fateful decision is to come at all it must come from the Democratic Party it is obviously not going to come from our adversary [Applause] that decision will not be made by a few leaders or a few appointed officials it will be made if it is made at all by we the people of the Democratic Party and of the United States met here in Chicago today [Applause] what was Congressman John Gilligan of Ohio was running for the Senate there

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Ohio was running for the Senate there and now an announcement of a speaker for the majority who we believe will be congressman spark Matsunaga of Hawaii [Music] from that great news paid in our magnificent United desert spark Matsunaga Matsunaga of Hawaii he's been a congressman since 1963 remember the Rules Committee of the house fifty years old speaking for the administration plan convey our fellow Americans despite our seeming disagreement there is one thing about which I am sure we can all agree and that is that we are all Democrats by our own free choice [Music] I think we can also agree that we are Democrats because we know we can always do better than any other political party by any other name but we must admit that in the process of doing better we also fight each other better than any other political party it has been said that in a way we Democrats are like alley cats we fight like the dickens but end up with darling little kittens we are now debating what is undoubtedly the toughest issue of this convention our political enemies as well as if you within our own ranks are saying that this is the issue which will

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saying that this is the issue which will split the Democratic Party and lead to its defeat in November knowing this we must resolve all differences on this issue with a plank that is at least acceptable to most of us unanimity of course is not possible basically as Democrats we can all agree that ours is is a peace party we must not deceive ourselves into thinking that we are being asked now to choose between a peace plank and a war plank both the majority and minority PACs offer a peace plank neither should we be mislead or confused by the convenient labels of hawks and doors we are all Democrats concerned with obtaining the earliest possible peace in Vietnam in a real sense the difference lies in the tactics to be applied in attaining

peace in Vietnam the goal is the same I rise in support of the majority plank because it offers the realistic approach and under all the circumstances the right way it is the plank which most Americans can and will support Thank You congressman Matson

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support Thank You congressman Matson oogah of Hawaii CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in John Conyers of Michigan has just asked why if the majority flank means what it says hasn't have been effectuated in the last four years congressman Conyers of Detroit surely our emphasis in Vietnam I must tell you that I have voted against supplemental appropriations every time they come up every year and Wilkin to do so as long as my district sends me to the Congress and I would like to remind you that it was in this spirit that the late beloved dr. Martin Luther King began to acquaint me with the deeper more philosophical meanings of non-violence because he asked me how I could be nonviolent as a person and not helped lead the greatest nation in the world to the nonviolent philosophy I couldn't answer him and that's why I stand here urging black and white Americans to join us in making this great issue have an honest and deep conviction to all of us everywhere I can't continue to tell those in the ghettos in slums across America that we can't produce the domestic programs an America of opportunity for all when every time I present a program my own party leaders tell me the war in Vietnam prevents it we here can change that and I urge that you act dispositively to [Applause]

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[Applause] a 39 year old congressman from Detroit is a leader of the Black Caucus at this convention which is decided to support rubber in training Phillips of the District of Columbia is a favorite son tonight CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 will continue in a moment after this pause for station identification little a concerned frustrated and artful about our role in Vietnam I am convinced that the deep unrest in our country is principally rooted in this conflict I suppose that I could be labeled a Humphrey dove some other Humphrey supporters on the platform committee with me found themselves in the same position we came to the conclusion that the Democratic nominee whoever he may be must have room to move quickly and effectively and honorably to end our involvement in this tragic conflict now without arguing the merits of the past policy a platform which tends to bind us and our candidates to a continuation of it not on not only unnecessarily ties the hand as were candidates but in my view will in all probability result in the defeat of Democrats everywhere in November we must offer real and substantial hope of ending this conflict if we expect to win even though we have some florals with the minority plank a substantial number of Humphrey people take the view that the adoption of it will indicate a desire to rethink and explore new alternatives and will strengthen our candidates immeasurably in supporting the Minority Report we act in what we consider to be the best interest of all

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consider to be the best interest of all Democratic candidates everywhere thank you Mayor Daley just leading his Illinois delegation into the hall after their caucus today which bordered overwhelming their support through the country tonight if this minority plank is defeated tonight apparently they're going to be quite a demonstration on the floor then rather reports the New York delegation is smuggling air horns and other noisemakers onto the floor to stage a very noisy demonstration if the minority planks turned down and we understand the South Dakota delegation passed our black armbands to where in that case this is congressman Clements a blocky of Wisconsin speaking for the Humphrey majority planks on Vietnam that vice-president three does not support the majority prank on Vietnam [Music] I am authorized by vice president Humphrey to inform the delegates that I fully support the Vietnam plank [Applause] I am pleased and proud to join the vice-president supporting the majority plank on the Athan because I think it is the right road to piece the plank is reasonable moderate and a balanced statement my fellow delegates I support the majority playing not only with the conviction that it is right but in the conviction that we are speaking the sediments of the vast majority of the American people that majority of

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American people that majority of Americans cannot be labeled as Hawks and they cannot be labeled as dogs they are passionately interested in peace and the majority resolution before you is neither a fine nor a dumb nor a hawk resolution it is a statement of a party committed to peace we have been polled almost to death these last few months and I do not wish to base my case on polls alone but you'll recall that several recent polls have made it unmistakably clear that vast majorities of Americans have supported these basic propositions the people of America seek to end the war Vietnam as soon as possible the majority plank declares that and I quote our most urgent task in Southeast Asia is to end the war in Vietnam the American people oppose a fall in the bombing that is totally unilateral the majority plan calls for the end to the bombing but provides what Americans have indicated by almost three to one they would insist upon the plank calls for the protection of art before our troops in the field and asked us to take into account response from the other side the people of America opposed by better than to the woman the imposition of a coalition government on South Vietnam the majority resolution declares that and I quote the post-war government of South Vietnam should be determined by fair and safeguarded elections open to

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fair and safeguarded elections open to all major political factions and parties prepared to accept peaceful political processes I therefore submit that the people of America supported the majority plank I urge the adoption of the majority by the congressman is a block idea member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee speaking for the Humphrey plank CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment 1961 in 1965 are not necessarily the same today as they were then it recognizes that the next president of the United States must not be bound by past policies and past mistakes regardless of the administration which made them [Applause] it recognizes the minority plank recognizes that the next president of the United States must be able to make all decisions relating to Vietnam free of the past a distinct a distinguished spokesman for the majority stated that the practical differences between the two planks are negligible my fellow delegates the spirit and the appearances of the majority report is to rubber-stamp the present war policy of the United States and relationship to Vietnam and I submit that we must not compromise with the policies of the past which have led to that dearly bought deadlock which now exists in South Vietnam my fellow delegates for the sake of our

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my fellow delegates for the sake of our nation and all mankind we must not temper eyes with one of the most tragic consequences and conspicuous foreign policy disasters in the history of this nation with this platform we should renew the spirit at this party the belief that peace and freedom and human progress will prevail not so much at the end of a gun but through the seeds of hope and the tools of Industry and education no nation in the long history of this world approaches our own in its zeal for Liberty its willingness to share its blessings and to sacrifice and adjust cause the spark despite our mistakes our demerits we are still as jefferson said the last best hope of the world and my fellow democrats we must remain true to that promise in this platform I thank you before the euro senator Tydings as the chief spokes from the strong gun control legislation came out this morning for Senator McGovern to the president say Mike Wallace do you have something from the floor yes Walter the Illinois delegation has just returned to the floor as you probably have seen their vote in caucus was 118 Humphrey we have coffee three recovered importance in that Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago put in a call to Senator Edward Kennedy this morning and asked him to be the vice presidential candidate on the hunt for tickets Ted Kennedy joined him down that is firm Kennedy turned down daily this morning said that he did not think that at this time that he wanted to take the vice presidential nomination and my understanding is that mr. Daley Mayor Daley put the call through to Senator Kennedy with the understanding of Hubert Humphrey I just introduced governor Phillip Hoff of Vermont and 44 year-old governor of that to England state to speak against the Humphrey Clank for the

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speak against the Humphrey Clank for the minority plank special dedicated and with the ability to conquer the traditional enemies of mankind we now know that we have in our arsenal the weapons destroy poverty ignorance disease and hunger the only thing that separates us from it is the will of the American people and I must say most tragically but the senseless stupid war of miscalculation has perverted that will and so today I invite you as Americans dedicated to the best propositions of this country to join those of us in the minority plain who are willing to forward this path and destroy the only thing that stands between us and that purpose and that is the war in Vietnam which has destroyed the will not only of the American people but the will of each of us individually and has turned us back upon ourselves I plead with each and every one of you let us not return to that post Korea period of our lives but rather may we together forward ourselves Thank You governor Hoff of

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ourselves Thank You governor Hoff of Vermont CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue animal Congressman Edna Kelly from Brooklyn New York speaking for the Humphrey plank it recognizes our willingness to take some risks in the quest for peace it supports the talks in Paris it calls for a halt in bombing when the president who whether he may be at the time deems it wise it calls for a shipping a large share of the internment burden to South Vietnamese Army it calls for the establishment of a freely elected government which can command the support of the people of South Vietnam it calls upon the next president and the future Democratic Congress to be selective in providing future military and economic assistance to South Vietnam my fellow Americans we are here today to nominate the man who will be the next president of the world's most powerful nation we are not here to instruct an ambassador or a general or an errand boy we have defined our principles as a party we expect our candidate to run on those principles we expect him ultimately to conduct the office of president without prejudice to the safety of America and without prejudice to the safety of Americans and without prejudice to his long range effectiveness in filling our peace of purpose do we want Hubert Humphrey or Eugene McCarthy or George McGovern or any other

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McCarthy or George McGovern or any other candidate we may choose to go to the peace table with half his cards face up do we affect any next we select will do less then its utmost for peace or in any way deny the peaceful mandate we have given him no my fellow Americans the majority report is sound it is realistic it is rational and it is sufficient therefore let us accept the plank my fellow and send our nominee forth as president and not a puppet I pray you support the majority report the 62 year old congresswoman from Brooklyn has been in Congress 18 years she's a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee but she was denied her district in a redistricting in New York and lost in a primary bottled with congressman seller so she's retiring from the Congress the vote is expected to come now at 2:45 or roughly a half hour from now and the delegates been warned to get their caucuses over with by that time so they can vote this is senator vance Hartke of indiana he's speaking for the minorities when when on one of the early dove senators let us finally resolve to strike a blow for peace and in so doing reaffirm our reverence for life the struggle in Vietnam has gone on far too long [Applause] too many have died too many have been made and finally each and every one of

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made and finally each and every one of us must answer this question for what for what [Applause] and how much longer do we have to endure the burden of this immoral war [Applause] and how much longer do we have to endure a no-win a no peace war and the fantasy of non-negotiation and how can we explain to our children this American tragedy and how can we justify the endless senseless killing today today we have the opportunity to stand before the world and to admit that we have made mistakes [Applause] not alone that we have made mistakes we also have the greater courage today to adopt a new policy so I say to you we must start a new policy and a new day for Southeast Asia and for the United States by making a solemn

commitment to peace in Vietnam a solemn commitment to peace in Vietnam that will finally allow that tortured people to find their own way to life and liberty and to end the frustrations and the anxiety of our own people the minority plank can be that first step [Applause]

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it will at least affirm this greets parties will to bring about a settlement of the war in Vietnam it will allow us to affirm life not death peace not war hope not despair so fellow Democrats I urge you to make the minority plank the majority plank of this convention so that it will be ready we here today had the courage to do the brave and the honorable thing before God and the world 49 year old senator events heart cave Indiana one of the early senators to speak out against their our Vietnam policy he still in the Senate since 1959 he's remember the Commerce in the Finance Committee president john f kennedy the former senator from the great state of California the Honorable Pierre Salinger [Applause] Solinger was appointed to the Senate served a short while before he was defeated for election the Chairman here in delegates I rise in support of the minority play [Applause] this is the moment of truth for the Democratic Party [Applause] and this is the moment of truth for our country the struggle on the floor of this convention will determine whether we have the courage to say that we were wrong and even greater courage to chart a course towards peace in Vietnam

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a course towards peace in Vietnam [Applause] that course will not be easy there is danger in what we propose but our current policy is a bankrupt failure [Applause] this minority plank is not the work of any candidate it is not offered to help the nomination of any candidate nor to hurt the nomination of any candidate it is offered because it offers the Democratic Party a real chance for victory in November [Applause] I believe that to give the people of the United States a plank on Vietnam which is indistinguishable from what was offered to us by the Republicans in Miami is sheer suicide for our party for me this debate is the end of a long road which started in March when the people of New Hampshire responded to the campaign of Senator McCarthy and when Robert Kennedy added his powerful voice to the struggle by announcing his candidacy for president it was the issue of Vietnam and his deeply held feelings that the killing had to stop that motivated Robert Kennedy to become a candidate for president a bullet stilled that voice but he is here today and if you were alive today he would be on that platform speaking

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he would be on that platform speaking for this minority plank thank you Harris Hollinger is one of having been the new secretary for the late President Kennedy was one of the managers of Robert Kennedy's campaign cut short by the assassins pulled up in California he then moved over and helped organize the campaign for Senator McGovern and his a manager of that campaign now [Music] if his oratorical style isn't quite that of William Jennings Bryan at least if the airs new hairdo is [Applause] he roused this crowd a little more than any of the minority plank speakers have so far now ladies and gentlemen and that was the name of Robert Kennedy and the first time apparently some of these people are still hoping for Ted Kennedy although he said this morning the announcement that he would not be able to accept the nomination [Music] despite that withdrawal in fact that more favorite sons have dropped out today governor McKibben of Louisiana Governor Godwin of Virginia joining three other southern governors who dropped their favorites on candidacies and thus freed they're considerably Pro Humphrey delegations and Humphreys delegate count by CBS is way over the top but 1311 needed stop the war they're shouting now Humphrey just needs 1311 for nomination he's got 1594 by our CBS delegate count and even in the mccarthy

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delegate count and even in the mccarthy camp there is a goon and it's doubtful that anyone here that Humphrey could now be stopped this is still a volatile convention as you see here with this demonstration on the floor following their challengers speech poking the name of Robert Kennedy saying that he would be

upon that platform speaking for the minority playing the minority plank is the one that would stop the bombing now without any preconditions and now it should be any Franklin oi the Honorable Frank marks the senator from Utah senator Mars will please take the podium mr. senator shrank costly lb plenty of time for the seven-year-old son provisions in Utah we're proceeding in an orderly fashion let's continue to do so if we met the distinguished senator saw Shirley MacLaine there in the California delegation demonstrating for the minority plank senator frank Moss for the majority they come pre administration plank Democrats in America I rise today to speak for peace we all want peace [Applause] we all want to end the war we all aboard killing but I say to you that has a great political party and as a great nation leader of the world we must pursue this goal with responsibility with hit elect with intelligence just as we are pursuing now the negotiations in Paris in the hopes of finding a political solution a negotiated solution

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political solution a negotiated solution and I say to you that the majority plank spells out the way that the next president of the United States can responsibly endure [Applause] if we permit our simple emotions to carry us away from our intellectual consideration of the position we are going to take then we cannot end the war in a way that will achieve peace in Southeast Asia nor peace anywhere else on the globe [Applause] if you'll listen for just a moment the majority report says negotiate for the Hanoi and immediate end or limitation to the hostilities and withdrawal from South Vietnam of all foreign forces but at the same time the majority report does not attempt to tie the hands of the American and allied leaders and men who must make the strategic and technical decisions on the scene and at the top levels of authority [Applause] the minority report the minority report would have us tell the enemy that we commit ourselves to reduce arbitrarily the bombing with no evidence no evidence of their having to agree to reduce their

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of their having to agree to reduce their hostility to do this is irresponsible and constitutes greatly increase peril for our troops again I say again I say to you our goal is peace peace that will endure peace that protects a non aggressor who wishes to live with self-government peace which is precious to every mortal on this planet and must be sucked with diligence and be available to small and great mighty and weak brown and yellow black and white the majority plank realistically seats this goal we have heard from more than half of the speakers for the Humphrey flank and for the McCarthy McGovern flank it is expected that they will get to a vote sometime between 2:45 and 3 o'clock revised from the podium not immediately after that roll call vote on this important Vietnam flank they will recess this convention until 6:00 or 6:30 this evening to pick up the program that tonight will lead to the nomination for the presidency of a next speaker hi burn Pell of Rhode Island speaking for the minority flank mr. chairman hello Democrats we have three questions we should ask ourselves first looking at the broad sweep of history should we to save the nation's government seek to destroy its

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government seek to destroy its institutions and its people the answer is obviously no secondly secondly should we be guided here by raw emotion or by face or by false pride or should we be guided by thought and by reason and as we make this decision let us not forget that young men young Americans white and black are being killed and ten times as many young men yellow and old men and children are being killed and third will we lose more American lives by ceasing the bombing of the north my answer is no if we would drop we just have two minutes so please don't applaud to drop our people down 15 or 20 miles lower you would find the same tactical effect to be achieved and not a single American life in addition lost there is another thought I would like to share with you and that is my own experience as a member of the Foreign Relations Committee I went on at four years ago new and inexperienced and we had open minds at the end of the four years or three years the vast majority of our men debating and studying the problem have come out against

it I need like neither plank is perfect I recognize that but the minority plank is the best and as one who supported Kennedy one of three senators and one who intends tonight to vote for Hubert Humphrey I think this is a plank on which he can probably run and I urged the support of the minority plank

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the support of the minority plank senator flurbin Powell of Rhode Island CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment back here at the convention congressman Dow of New York is speaking for the McCarthy McGovern flank yes and thereby satisfied an America that has made the gravest of mistake of judgment I support the commonality plank for that is a magnificent step in the direction of peace this is congressman Philip Burton of San Francisco who is managing the presentation of the McCarthy McGovern on fine as federal better liberal credentials than the fearless spokesman I'm about to introduce the Honorable William Fitz Ryan congressman from Manhattan in the state of New York these speakers were not presented on the previous list of expected speakers and they're each taking it appears a minute's time to present their views I rise to support the Minority Report [Applause] under our unique political system which is still the best yet devised by man for his own south government the Democratic Party proposes to ask the American people for a renewed mandate it does so at a time when our nation faces a crisis in leadership unmatched in this generation nor century the fabric of our society has been torn by urban decay

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society has been torn by urban decay poverty and racism the neglect of our domestic problems is an inevitable result the war in Vietnam as a Democrat I believe that our parties must repudiate that policy if it does it offers the possibility for change vision and confidence upon which we can go forth from this can aim to lead America to new heights and new horizons [Music] and now ladies and gentlemen I have the great honor to present senator Georgia Davis who is the face black Kentuckian to be elected to the state Senate in the history of break of that great Commonwealth and she is also the first lady to be elected to the legislature of the state of Kentucky mrs. Davis if you came in late that's a congressman Hale Boggs of Louisiana Majority Whip and the majority leader in the House of Representatives and the platform committee chairman fellow delegates there is one argument in the Minority Report which needs to be dealt with honestly and bluntly that has to do with the quote but for input argument too often we hear but for Vietnam we would have the resources to rebuild our cities yes we must rebuild our cities and we have the resources to rebuild our cities even with Vietnam in our current defense budget

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it all depends on whether we would rather rebuild our cities than have a third car our fourth television set are a swimming pool in every backyard of high-income families I believe the American people want to mount a massive campaign for eliminating the slum and have the kind of education and health and environment pledged in our new platform I believe we can afford it we have no right to use Vietnam as an excuse if we spent one cent as much of our time and effort impresses upon our Congress both the program and the policies on the one hand and the tax policies on the other needed to do the job we could win the war on poverty and solve the urban crisis if today you and I paid our federal taxes at the rates which prevailed before the tax cut of 19 and 64 the federal government would get twenty five billion dollars more new each year the recently enacted surcharge yields less than one half of that amount I think you will agree that no one of us suffered severely under the nineteen and sixty three tax rates I think part of the needed boost to the economy should have come in the form of

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economy should have come in the form of more investment in solving city and poverty problem and part in tax cuts rather than all in tax reductions in Vietnam feet paying tomorrow too many Americans would favor using the peace dividend for a tax cut rather than to rebuild our city it is all wrong to assume that we would

meet our domestic problem but for Vietnam the point is that we have the resources now yet even while the war is going on and we will have them even after the war but the city crisis is too serious to fool ourselves with slogan that the only reason why we are not at home is Vietnam that is why I believe on the but for Vietnam issue in the minority plank is so misleading and so harmful it takes our attention away from where it is needed namely on the appropriate domestic policy to meet our domestic needs enough appropriations to carry out our program and enough revenue to pay the bill and we can afford it with mrs. Georgia Davis speaking for the majority flank she is from Kentucky CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment when Henry Royce of Wisconsin is telling this Democratic convention that the minority flank on Vietnam tells annoy it is responsible for peace and he continues icon our proxy to conduct the foreign policy of the United States we

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foreign policy of the United States we must not give them a blank check that we shall have to honor with American lives and American treasure we made our mistake when we followed the advice of Richard M Nixon to send an American land army into Vietnam we must find our way we must adopt the minority plank and say there shall be no more Vietnam [Applause] and the ROI says the responsibility is in Vietnam not in Washington for this war both in Saigon and I have the high privilege of introducing Hale Boggs is not only to see another ot speakers for the Humphreys with distinction from the great state of Arkansas the Honorable David Pryor congressman fryer [Applause] congressman fryer there's a charity for tomorrow Democrats every person in this great convention hall and every American awaiting the decisions that we make as one paramount hope one sincere desire and that is peace in Vietnam it is my firm belief that a strong thorough Frank and open discussion of the two planks pertaining to Vietnam today must and will create a new sense of unity within this party and within this nation and will aid in healing the emotional overtones which pervade this issue yes mr. chairman today's debate must serve to review the degrees of differences that we have on this issue but most importantly mr. chairman most importantly for our party and for this nation it must emphasize our fundamental agreements the first area of agreement

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agreements the first area of agreement must be that peace is the goal of the Democratic Party and on this we must be united that in our party the only difference of opinion is how to best achieve this peace permanently honorably and quickly that this long ugly conflict that has divided the nation of Vietnam in Southeast Asia that we as a party in that we as a people must not let it divide our own that we are unified today by the fact that we seek peace in Southeast Asian throughout the world we are unified today that in seeking the means to secure that peace we must all work together we are unified today in a total and complete commitment to bring the war in Vietnam to a quick and enduring honorable conclusion and we are unified today in the unquenchable hope that we must bring our American sons home but in achieving this peace and until it is secured we must not turn our back on our fighting sons in Vietnam we must not let the careless emotional use of slogans or empty phrases give the world the impression that America is seeking to escape the hard realities of surviving in today's international community yes mr. chairman it is a noble dream that we have that we could someday have a world of quote no more Wars unquote this must be our goal of this party and of our people it must be our hope and it must be our constant challenge but mr. chairman we must remain strong we must remain wise

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must remain strong we must remain wise and we must as a party and as a nation be united if we are to secure this peace this is the theme this is the purpose and this is the lesson of the majority plank what was its chairman for the majority opinion majority planck senior member of the house there about three and a half minutes left for the debate on either side on both sides mr. senator or congressman Phillip Burton of San Francisco introducing a next minority bank speaker Albert Gore introducing senator Albert Gore of Tennessee senator since 1953 and a member of the Foreign Relations Committee mr. chairman and fellow

delegates four years ago our party and the nominees of our party promised the people that American was would not be sent to fight in a land war in Asia the people made an overwhelming commitment for peace they voted for our distinguished leader president lyndon b johnson but they got the policies of senator Goldwater [Applause] almost please don't applause give me a little time almost immediately combat troops was sent to fight in a steadily widening Asian war 25,000 American men have died

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Asian war 25,000 American men have died what harvest do we reap from their gallant sacrifice an erosion of a moral and spiritual base of American leadership a demeaning entanglement with a corrupt political clicked and Saigon disillusionment despair here at home and a disastrous postponement of imperative programs to improve our social ills the American people in my opinion and overwhelmingly in that regard think that we made a mistake and yet ladies and gentlemen and fella doughnuts read the proposed platform we are call upon not only to approve this disastrous policy but even to applaud it I wonder how many of the American people are applauding it they don't want to applaud it they want to change it [Applause] and make no mistake about it the American people are strong judgment and policy I say to you we still have the responsibility the Charter of course while the nominees of our party to go to the people let us give them a commitment to peace for the United States of America thank you very much 15-year Senate veteran Thunder Albert

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15-year Senate veteran Thunder Albert Gore of Tennessee CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment you can't use cheering cold water gee I already huh look you've washed your white blouse in cold water sure this is congressman Wayne Hayes of Ohio a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee he's just begun speaking with an anecdote about his first history lesson this great party of ours is not trying to turn the clock back to 1938 they seek another Chamberlain to go to another Munich / surrender to the people who last week managed the rape of Czechoslovakia that word hasn't been mentioned today a Czechoslovakia but it's on my mind and it's on the minds of the American people [Applause] there are 200,000 Soviet troops in that unhappy land today there's a minority among us represented over in grid Park and let me say that the police department Mayor Daley must all be related to job they've shown that much patience [Applause]

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a minority a minority of a minority who would substitute anarchism for ambition they'd like to substitute beards for brains license for liberty [Applause] they want pot instead of patriotism [Applause] they like sideburns instead of solutions they want slogans instead of social reforms and they would substitute riots for reasons [Applause] these are the minority nor the majority in this convention can write a plank for the Democratic Party tailored to the views of this minority of a minority and if we try to do it we invite disaster for the candidate for the party for the nation and for the free world congressman Wayne Hayes of Ohio a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee longtime congressman who gave one of the real rousing speeches for the Humphrey flank of the platform Lane the minority trying the minority at this convention to the Yippies and demonstrators in Grant Park who have had their troubles with the police for three days as they attempt to demonstrate here and as you see he has brought the pro Humphrey Pro administration forces led by Mayor Richard Daley there that to their feet and created a lot of booing from the

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and created a lot of booing from the McCarthy and minority plank people we should be getting to the vote within another couple of minutes that is getting to the end of the speeches stop all war the demonstrators are now yelling from the floor [Applause] these demonstrators are being a lead in these cheers it's not all totally spontaneous Nietzsche is my foundation New York California there are people who are sort of leading the cheers may I have your attention please for a thoughtful presentation of the minority position on a platform committee I take privilege and introducing truly one of the outstanding liberals in the House of

Representatives a distinguished member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee one who very early expressed his concern and opposition to the escalation of American involvement in South Vietnam the congressman from the city of Minneapolis the state of Minnesota a great liberal the Honorable Don Fraser congressman Fraser also like Wayne Hayes who spoke the majority before him as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee he's 44 years old from Minnesota speaking for the minority minority report a report a report which clearly states to the American people our determination to bring the war in Vietnam to an early end now I know that concern about this war

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now I know that concern about this war is not the exclusive property of the supporters of any one or two of the prospect of nominees of our party I know this because I speak today as a supporter of the vice president of the United States [Applause] I know of the concern which the vice-president has about the war in Vietnam and I know of his genuine commitment to peace but the question before this convention is to write a Vietnam plank which reflects our views about that war and we will serve the nominee of the Democratic Party best if we will express our views as forcefully and as fairly as we can now the issue the issue which is framed by the majority and the minority report is very simple a vote for the majority report is a vote to support a plank which contains the old rhetoric and restates the original goals of this war it is a vote to continue that war until our till our original goals are achieved a vote for the Minority Report on the other hand is a vote in favor of an orderly disengagement from the war encouraging the Vietnamese to work out their own solutions to this tragic conflict [Applause] have we learned nothing from the hard-fought heartbreaking experiences of these recent years has not our involvement in an alien society torn by political as well as by military issues

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political as well as by military issues given us greater wisdom just ponder if you will the tragic consequences if this war is prolonged ever increasing division in our nation increasing bitterness among our people an increasing alienation of our young is s what we want how long can this nation endure these painful searing divisions this bitterness and this alienation last year we spent seventy percent of the revenues collected by the federal government seventy percent pain for war and pain to prepare for war and that's why our nation is hard-pressed to meet our commitments at home that is why we are failing to respond with sufficient measure to the mounting crisis of our cities and this is why we suffer inflation in the economy and frustration in our hearts in this minority report we do not abandon the South Vietnamese through a unilateral withdrawal but we do propose to make clear the responsibility of the South Vietnamese to move toward a settlement of their own not a settlement imposed by the United States we will not endanger our soldiers in the process of negotiations but we do propose to bring about an early end to this war so that the lives of our soldiers of our allies and the lives of Vietnamese people will be spared we do

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Vietnamese people will be spared we do not sit today in judgment upon the past but the hour has arrived to accept our full responsibility for the future we the Democrats are a strong and a responsible party follow delegates the American people are waiting for our answer congressman Don Fraser a Minnesota Harry Reasoner up on the platform they seem to be running over their allotted two hours time for this debate what's going on they don't care other delays come along so yes we're already 15 minutes past the time they expected to start voting the last official measurement of how much time remains was 27 minutes I was about two minutes ago but that's like the last 27 minutes of a football game with the run very easily another hour before they hold they haven't actually run over the allotted speaking time that it well they well they run over everyone runs over somewhere from 15 seconds to a minute you can hear them say 30 seconds and I doubt that anyone has landed right on the dot so all the other you say on every paper you're allotting two minutes killer you lose 20 seconds in introduction and his running over in 22nd with applause by the time you do a 30 or 40 speaker you've got this kind of delight built into it just like the different times in in a game and we're running our commercials in in the timeouts just as well we haven't missed a play yet right this is

congressman at Edmondson from Oklahoma speaking for the majority report lately disinterested delegate like many of you and many Americans across the country we have two sons who wear the uniform of our country and one

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wear the uniform of our country and one of them served today in Vietnam waters so I speak as one with an interest that is deep in my heart in seeing that the decision we make on this platform is a sound one and a wise one and a decision in the interest of peace and a decision in the interest of our own country's best interests for the future like most of you I saw these two planks for the first time last night I examined and read them both carefully there is much to commend them both there are features of both that I personally would not have written but I think that's an experience all of us share I find two advantages to strong points in the majority plank and I want to call them to your attention once again first of all the majority plank States unequivocally that the bombing halt in North Vietnam shall take place when this action would not endanger the lives of our troops in the field [Applause] and this my friends is an expression of interest in the well-being of our troops of our sailors our soldiers our Marines in our airmen that does not appear to my satisfaction in the minority flank the second point and this is almost equally important the majority plank says the choice of the post-war government of South Vietnam should be determined by

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South Vietnam should be determined by fair and safeguarded elections and I find nowhere in the minority plank any mention of any kind or description of the right of the people of South Vietnam to decide their destiny by free safeguarded and fair elections the word elections the word elections does not appear in the minority plank for these two reasons better to safeguard our troops and better to safeguard the people of South Vietnam in whose interest 25,000 of our finest have given their lives already I say hope for the majority plank congressman ed Edmondson of Oklahoma 49 year old congressman has been in Congress for 15 years CBS news color coverage of campaign 68 will continue in a moment after this pause for station identification already a minority arguments Hale Boggs for the majority and Phillip Burton in California for the minority of just asked that the aisles be cleared they got some decorum here in the hall so that they can come to the concluding speeches of this two-hour presentation of the arguments for the majority humphrey plank on vietnam the minority McCarthy McGovern plank on Vietnam this is Hale Boggs still don't have one in the chamber while Hale Boggs is tempting to get order CBS newest color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a

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Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment Harry we call as Ted Kennedy called for letting the South Vietnamese decide for themselves the shape of their own future they call for the United States to stay and conform the Vietnamese to our political and economic standards fourth we call for a reduction of American troops now by reducing our offensive operations they call for a reduction in troops only when the South Vietnamese Army can take over if that ever comes the past you have heard some bitter charges today about our minority plank my fellow citizens I must ask you to believe me on the basis of my services in the White House under presidents Kennedy and Johnson that I could never support a plank that called for a sellout for a camouflage surrender or for a unilateral withdrawal I could never support a plank that would endanger American troops or undermine the Paris talks I could never support a plank that would impose a communist or even a coalition government on South Vietnam I could never support a plank that would start this nation back to isolationism or encourage the Soviet outrage in Czechoslovakia but I would support and I am supporting a plank that gives the American voters some hope for an end to this miserable war and anyone can anyone believe after the president's withdrawal and the polls and the primaries and the protests that we can still ask the American people to

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can still ask the American people to support this war if you cannot give our young people and the amateurs and the idealist the candidate of their choice at least give them this plank to preserve their enthusiasm for the Democratic Party [Applause] we are not outside the mainstream of the Democratic Party we agree with a Senate Democratic majority leader we agree with a Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman we agree with Ted Kennedy and Robert Kennedy and the voters in every Democratic primary stop the war [Applause] going to me being continually warned but his time is up and he is now quit his speech having made a couple of important points for the Minority Report a year old former adviser to both President Kennedy and Johnson Dan Schorr I understand you've got some information on the vote coming up down yes Walter evil while Sorensen makes his impassioned appeal and even while the optimist like Frank mankiewicz predict that the Minority Report will win the more realistic like Kenny O'Donnell will say they have lost they say that the boat will be says Kenny O'Donnell the vote will be about what it was in a drafting committee two to one for the majority report that's it briefly water and a demonstration here has set off by Ted Sorensen speech against the the administration plank it's interesting the Ted Sorensen found rather dragged in a reference twice in his speech to Ted Kennedy he's very close to some of the Kennedy camp and

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close to some of the Kennedy camp and Kennedy order today said he could not accept a draft this convinces what seemed different saying he put his name for this convention in that speech Boggs announcing the one of the concluding speech three speakers for the majority of ministration plan Watson Wyatt former lieutenant governor of Kentucky now mayor of Louisville also is housing administrator in the last democratic the majority report is a firm plank for peace it is a clear commitment for peace it states [Applause] the majority Planck states our basic objective in six clear and simple words to end the war in Vietnam not pious collation not by military victory not by unilateral withdrawal not by unconditional surrender but by an honorable and a lasting settlement [Applause] fellow Americans the majority reports strongly supports the Paris peace talks the Minority Report completely ignores the Paris peace talks most reports have form steps for peace Christie the majority report says and I quote its words stop all bombing in North Vietnam now I would remind you I would remind

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now I would remind you I would remind you that already the bombing has been stopped in North Vietnam in ninety percent of the population and in 78 percent of the land area but the majority report says as a clear statement of policy a very simple and clear statement of policy stop all bombing in North Vietnam and it does so in the framework of protection for our troops in the field but the language of the Minority Report I regret to say provides much less protection much more limited support for our American troops second the majority report calls for negotiated withdrawal from South Vietnam of all foreign forces and then it goes on to provide for negotiated limitation of hostilities and for a negotiated end of hostilities but the Minority Report again is much more limited in scope and is much less desirable because it does not deal with the negotiated end of hostilities or the negotiated limitation of hostilities only with the negotiated withdrawal third the majority report and this is very important this is fundamentally important the majority report looks to a government of South Vietnam to be chosen by the people of South Vietnam to be chosen by an election to be chosen by an election open to all major political factions it looks to a government to be chosen by the exercise of the time-honored principle and right of

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time-honored principle and right of self-determination but the minority report and mark this carefully but the minority report and I read it once twice three times before I could believe what I read in that report the minority report omits all mentioned omits all mention of elections and the right of self-determination it makes no provision for a South Vietnam government through the right of self-determination but alone is a shocking comment on the Minority Report but it not only omits the good it provides for what is not good the minority report would impose and I use the word advisedly it would impose a government on South Vietnam not by

election but by negotiation and it would impose a coalition government now it's true in beautiful words of semantics it speaks of it as being quote broadly representative but broadly representative means that we know it means imposing a coalition and that Minority Report compels that that coalition government be chosen by negotiation in these semantic words which stripped of their samadhis ISM come down to nothing in the world but to rest the words of this are these spread to action by the certain knowledge that the prop of American military support will soon be gone that my friends is government by a negotiation under duress and as a matter of basic principle and it is basic principle

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principle and it is basic principle we're concerned with as a matter of basic principle this is an important and basic reason for the defeat of the Minority Report and for the adoption of the majority report and forth and fourth the majority report calls for a cutback of our military involvement by accelerating the training and equipping of South Vietnam Army and it calls for a substantial United States contribution to the post-war reconstruction of South Vietnam and the economic development of the entire region now this is far more affirmative it is far more constructive than the Minority Report the majority report does not decide tactics the minority does it would make generals out of every one of us in this convention hall the majority report gives full consideration to the risk of our American troops the minority does not the majority report supports the Paris peace talks the minority does not the majority report calls for a South Vietnam government by the process of a fair election and the minority does not the majority report is a firm plank for peace a clear commitment for peace in Vietnam and one on which any great Democrat could proudly run for president of the United States and I am sure that that's the reason that it is endorsed and supported by vice-president Hubert H Humphrey our Watson Wyatt of Louisville Kentucky in one of the summation speeches for the Humphrey administration

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speeches for the Humphrey administration Vietnam flying will be with more from Chicago's International amphitheater in a moment the CBS News color coverage of campaign 68 continues after this message I've just introduced senator Wayne Morse of Oregon who speak for the McCarthy McGovern flank on Vietnam Senator Morse one time a Republican that an independent finally came over to the Democratic side he's lonely one of the two senators to vote against the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution oh there was senator earnest greening of Alaska who incidentally was defeated in his race for nomination for a reelection in Alaska just yesterday and Senator Morse faces a a campaign for the election this fall in Oregon Senator Wayne Ward a statesman from California the head of our minority group congressman Burton the great leadership he's given us in connection with this great contest that's raging in this convention I wanna thank I want to thank the chairman of our platform committee congressman Hale Boggs for his great firmness and impartiality and understanding and statesmanship in conducting the affairs of our platform in this debate I rise to support the Minority Report because in my judgement the majority party report stripped of its semantics is nothing but a naked proposal to continue the failures of our policy in Vietnam I want to say to not only this Democratic convention but to the people of America that what we need to do on this issue is emancipate not only the Democratic Party but the people of this country from the wrong foreign policy

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country from the wrong foreign policy the Republicans started under Dulles under the Republican regime in the 1950 [Applause] that's when the foundations for the mistakes were laid don't forget that it was Dulles that proposed that we maintain a military foothold on the mainland of Asia he went to London and proposed to Prime Minister Churchill that Churchill pledged British forces and he would pledge American forces and then they'd go across the channel and pledge to mendès france that they would join france in continuing the Indochina war that's one of the beginnings of the mistakes but mendès france had heard from the french people Churchill turned him down Mendes France turned him down just think what a difference it would have made if John Foster Dulles had stayed at Geneva instead of packing up his satchel and coming back to

Washington leaving Bedell Smith with instructions not to sign any treaty but to only serve as an observer suppose he had stayed there and the United States had actively participated in the final drafting of that treaty he wouldn't have had a treaty with only a three-nation Control Commission you'd have had a treaty with the United States on that commission probably some of the other great powers and the mistakes that we've made would not have been made don't forget it was Richard Nixon in 1954 and what he hoped would be an off-the-record speech to the American publishers meeting in New York that proposed a commitment of American forces on the mainland of and that was turned down may I say to the everlasting credit of his president and to the everlasting credit of the American people but that's when our

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American people but that's when our mistake started to be made and saw what I am pleading for is for this Democratic Party to recognize that we must declare our freedom from those mistakes and proceed to change our course of action in South Vietnam now there's much been said about our brave soldiers in Vietnam and how brave they are and what great sacrifices they've made 25,000 of them with their lives a hundred thousand with serious wounds but if you want to protect those star those soldiers you'll stop a policy of escalation that is killing them [Applause] I take I take my stand with a general Ridgway a former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff a general Gavin a general show in urging a de-escalation the falling back the lines that we can defend that will stop the killing of these boys until we can work out a multilateral negotiation for the settlement of this war we can't do it on a bilateral basis and so I close with a plea on my lips that the Democratic Party at this convention support a Minority Report that opens the door to motor i lateral negotiation and returns to the ideal of substituting the rule of law for the jungle law of military force and when we practice it then let me say we've got to make clear to a Russia for its shocking action in Czechoslovakia that we're going to hold them to to the substitution of the rola law for the jungle law of military force senator Wayne Morse of Oregon and of a leading

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Wayne Morse of Oregon and of a leading son of doves one of the two senators who voted against the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution whether there are going to be any amendments to these minority-majority reports are still a matter of some speculation will Hill bob says they're not senator put a party plan one harry reasoner on the platform can tell us something about that Harry I'll props with all this shouting there a reason it can't hear me up there with these miss applause in this demonstration for the words of sunny from horse he is Rahl's this is a proud ari this shouting now again stop the war area can hear me now I can hear you now Walter an awful lot of noise coming from the floor if you can hear up there - I was saying there's some discussion about whether it be any amendments is there a final decision there's a final decision there won't be any amendments but we believe what's going to happen is that Senator Philip Hart of Michigan as an additional speaker not charged to either side will in effect get up and say he understands there can't be any amendments but this is what he would have proposed if there could be and what he will propose is that compromise wording on the stopping of the bombing of mildly stronger than the minority report mildly weaker than the majority report would say in effect that we could stop all binding to the north in the expectation of a response from North Vietnam this was the wording which vice-president Humphrey indicated fairly strongly that he could accept and it was the wording that was changed by Chairman vog for the more slightly more hawkish converting as in the majority plan this is an agreement to let senator Hart speak I raised on the what William what's what's the purpose of that what

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what's what's the purpose of that what goods are gonna do to say what he would have proposed I think it's up I I can't say what the purpose is there won't be any vote on it unless they lead to a suspension of the rules and change their minds are less listening would like to make a statement I might say that the statement has made in light of the agreement reached between the minority and the majority with respect to amendments and I am sure that the gentleman in California can cause and what the statement that the senator from

Michigan will make I would like to decided to proceed for a minute Thank You senator Philip Hart of Michigan [Applause] mr. chairman congressman Burton thank you very much perfection is not to be found in any document drawn by human hands and not let's not kid ourselves the Michigan delegation made up of strong advocates of the vice-president Senator McCarthy Senator McGovern overwhelmingly yesterday proposed that the majority report be amended to read just three lines stop all remaining bombing of North Vietnam while continuing to provide all necessary air or other support for alive troops and the expectation of restraint and reasonable response from annoy this we had hoped would be a bridge as it was for us and it as it has been in discussion this morning for many delegates here who wish very much we could act on it I thank you thank you very much senator

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thank you very much senator what did you heard earlier from Mary reasoner's oh there will be no opportunity to mate and yet there has been a ruling the chair last night with unanimous consent that nobody heard in the turmoil that there will be no amendments to these majority and minority reports it's an essential on flip being laid down by the administration to accept all or nothing like mrs. Hale Boggs wrap up of the majority opinion without bias this issue before this convention [Applause] I have reserved only a minute or two for myself in conclusion I would like to make the observation that try as we made hope as we would as we must that the world is indeed one world that what happens everywhere in the world happen affects all of us I would call to your respectful attention the language in the platform which says this the tragic events in Czechoslovakia a shocking reminder that we live in a dangerous and unpredictable world the Soviet attack on an invasion of a small country that only yesterday was Moscow's peaceful Ally is an ominous reversal of the slow trend towards greater freedom and independence

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towards greater freedom and independence in Eastern Europe and then our tanto our turn to to another area on God face the Middle East the Middle East my friends and we spelled out in this platform referring to the Middle East as strong as we could and there was no disagreement the Middle East remains a powder keg we must do all in our power to prevent a recurrence of war in this area alloys Soviet fleet has been deployed to the Mediterranean preferring short-term political advance to long-range stability and peace the Soviet Union has rice arms to Satan Arab states to replace those lost in the Arab Israel war of 1967 so we cannot hope as we made disassociate what happens all over the world and now one final statement and I will then ask the distinguished chairman my majority leader of whom I am so proud and who provides as a permanent chairman of this great convention then to put the question I would say that I wish I profoundly wish from the depth of my heart with every ounce of conviction that I may have that I could agree with my friend Ted Sorensen from New York when he said that there's nothing in the minority that would not endanger our troops all that would not support our negotiators in Paris

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negotiators in Paris I beg to take exception I beg to take exception [Applause] now what do we say about bombing bombing listen to me please those who agree and those who disagree that is indeed the democratic procedures bombing stop all bombing of North Vietnam when this action would not endanger the lives of our troops in the field [Applause] and take into account the response from Hanoi that's it that's all now I say to you what happens if we do otherwise what happens if we don't do it that way well I along with others representing both political parties representing Americans let me be Satan about representing every shade of opinion including the chairman of the distinguished the Foreign Relations Committee in the Senate was briefed on Czechoslovakia and I asked the question I asked the question can general abran supply an answer to me of this question and I posed the question is there any possibility of your providing even an approximate estimate of the additional casualties we would take if we stop the bombing of North Vietnam unilaterally and unconditionally and the answer came

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and unconditionally and the answer came back and here I read it to you these are not my words these are the words of general Avram if the bombing in North Vietnam now authorized would have be suspended unilaterally the enemy in ten days to two weeks could develop a capability in the DMZ area in terms of scale intensity and duration of combat on the order of five times what he now has I cannot agree I cannot agree to place our forces at the risk which the enemy's capability would then pose that that by Brad [Applause] that my friends could photo to our debate and thank you very much Mike Wallace I understand you have a report for us from the Massachusetts delegation Mike yes Walter of William vanden Heuvel and Richard Goodwin have been here talking with the chairman of the knot the chairman of the Massachusetts delegation but the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Massachusetts Robert Quinn conveying to him a telegram from Senator Edward Kennedy I was able to get a copy of most of it according to vanden Heuvel and Goodwin Senator Kennedy wants mr. Quinn to make the following statement to the convention although I am NOT a delegate and will not be a candidate and will withdraw my name if I am nominated I will continue to express myself on the issues I support the minority plank on Vietnam those ideas in my judgment in that minority plank will lead us toward an honorable peace and will carry the nominee of the Democratic Party to victory in November signed Edward

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victory in November signed Edward Kennedy senator from Massachusetts but mr. Quinn is not convinced that this telegram indeed does come from Edward Kennedy Quinn says that he himself has been in touch with Kennedy and has not heard directly from him Quinn at this moment has gone to the back of the hall where he is conferring with vanden Heuvel to determine whether he will indeed read that wire that I have voted from from Edward Kennedy if it is indeed from the senator all right thank you Mike now announcements from Carl Albert before we get to the vote on these platform planks on Vietnam earnestly and sincerely first of all that members maintain and delegates maintain that decorum which is so necessary to the exercise of the business of a parliamentary convention and second may I urge earnestly and may I admonish our friends and guests in the gallery that it is not within their jurisdiction to make any demonstrations favorably or unfavorably with respect to any action taken by the [Applause] under the resolution under which we are proceeding on the current business all debate has closed and the question now occurs on the Minority Report submitted by the delegate from California mr. Burton the chair has been handed under the rules of the convention a list of

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the rules of the convention a list of delegations complying with the rules which calls for a halt of the states on the adoption of Minority Report those who are in favor of adopting the Minority Report well in their states are called report high those who are opposed will vote no and the Secretary will call the role of the state we'll give you a comparison as we go along with the CBS News delegate count for Humphrey and McCarthy a yes vote here it would be in the McCarthy McGovern area a no vote in the Humphrey area a yes vote here is for the Minority Report for the McCarthy McGovern plank on Vietnam to stop the bombing now on conditions may the chair make a statement no action was taken on the amendment discussed by the distinguished senator from Michigan senator Hart so we are only concerned with the Minority Report and with the resolution of the Committee on resolutions in class certainly has a [Music] one on one half for the Minority Report 30 and a half for the administration and votes no Alaska the 22 votes

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and no 10 yes well no we had expected some 16 1/2 those for Humphrey out of the Alaska delegation Arizona votes 6 and 1/2 folks yes 12 and 1/2 folks no the Arizona vote six in one half votes yes 12 and 1/2 votes no Arkansas 33 Arkansas votes 25 votes for the majority report 7 votes for the minority report and one vote absent so far for indicating what was expected that there is some erosion of Humphrey strength on the platform plank Arkansas we've shown in CBS new a delegate count 30 votes for Huntley but against 25 for the administration position on the flank here California's vote two votes no two abstentions six votes no 166

votes aye that was a expected out of California I would like as anti come freight although it hasn't to set it exactly where it is going thank you i like this double exposure to abstentions six knows 166 i [Applause] [Music] the California vote is 166 yes six no and 2 abstentions Canal Zone 5 the Canal Zone holds three and a half no one and a

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Zone holds three and a half no one and a half yes the Canal Zone votes three and a half all five of Canal Zone delegates yes are expected to vote for object but one and a half supported against to you [Music] 21 votes yes 14 votes no me that's two less than the Humphrey 44 Connecticut passes Connecticut passes Delaware 22 aware yes twenty one vote no one absent national committeewoman due to illness the Delaware vote expected to just all its votes to the 21 anyway for Humphrey sir the District of Columbia where foreign policy is made votes to no 21 I [Music] [Applause] upstate Humphrey splits in the District of Columbia 21:01 against Humphrey that is this plummets user [Music] Paul of the Florida delegation is requested the Florida delegation may retire temporarily and the chair will send a representative to assist in the conduction of the poll as has been expected all along there is going to be going to be a considerable erosion of co

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going to be a considerable erosion of co Humphrey administration support in this vote on the plane how many delegations were Adam chairman comes yes 22 and 1/2 votes no madam chairman yes George your loyal national Democrats votes 19 and 1/2 votes yes one vote no [Applause] that is the split delegation of the addicts and organ bomb delegations this one very much according to the CBS News delegate count so hard from the Pro and anti Humphrey sided is pro Humphrey yeah the Idaho vote 15 no Tim yes Illinois 118 votes Illinois 105 votes no 13 eeeh Illinois caucuses Maureen voted 112 of both stood for Humphrey tonight the loss of seven for the administration on the bomb no maybe I just wanted to

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on the bomb no maybe I just wanted to give you a little recognition Mayor Daley needs a lot of recognition Indiana passed 15 votes yes 47 and a half votes no Indiana to a half rasp administration flanked and for Humphrey and Indiana Iowa 36 votes yes ten no [Applause] the Iowa vote 36 votes yes that's quite interesting from Iowa we show 23 votes for Humphrey and I are that's 1333 and 1/2 no that's a pickup and strength to the administration in Kansas one and a half extra votes therefore yes 39 no the Kentucky vote 7 yes 39 no that's right on patrol an anti Humphrey forces and yes 33 and a half votes no 33 and a half Oh No Maine 27 main cast 22 and 1/2 votes no four and one-half votes yes the main boat 22 and a half votes no four and one-half votes yes Marilyn 49 well votes

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one-half votes yes Marilyn 49 well votes yes 37 votes the Maryland Hope 12 votes yes 37 no sudden less votes for the administration flank can we show for Humphrey and Massachusetts Maryland votes 56 yet 16 no [Applause] seventy votes in Massachusetts are pledged by the primary to McCarthy there so it was hard to today no comparison of figures Michigan has 52 votes yes for the poor votes No [Applause] 70 votes in Michigan have indicated their for Humphrey with 12 undecided yet on a 44 voted for the administration plank on the platform Minnesota thirty one abstention so - oysters I have 38 votes for Humphrey 34 and a half picks for his platform Mississippi 24 Mississippi cast 19 and a half votes yes two and a half folks know [Applause] Humphrey has 10 votes the Mississippi delegation certain and our CBS News delegate count you only got two and a half for his platform plank considerable erosion here in the the difference between Humphrey boats and the platform

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not enough to put across the minority plank that vote for Missouri was 10 yes and 15 oh yes vote is for the minority flank of McCarthy McGovern find a no vote or the administration Humphries vote 20 no six yes calculator the Humphrey strength in Montana that's three votes less than Humphrey has in Nebraska according to our delegate count at this point sure votes Missouri he got five less for his a platform and he has for himself as we understand it just about they split their control and have a Humphrey forces of the state New Hampshire cast three votes no and cast 23 votes yes [Music] [Applause] the New Hampshire vote 23 votes yes three votes no we shall just pump the string New Jersey passed 24 votes yes 57 votes no one not voting and that figures just exactly what we had for the delegate count out of New Jersey this is a stain remarkably clear at Pro Humphrey and Humphrey both 14 and 1/2 votes no with a slight additional number of votes

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with a slight additional number of votes for the minority plank on Vietnam they are cast 148 votes yes 42 votes no well there's quite a difference in New York we have counted about ninety five votes for Humphrey in New York and yet the only 42 of the New York votes go along with the Humphrey plank on Vietnam and so there's a loss there considerable loss of some 53 votes in the New York delegation on this platform and four votes yes and 42 no that's the heaviest loss in single state between the of Humphrey forces voting for the anti Humphrey platform North Carolina vote 51 no 7 Humphrey abut 35 and a half undetermined in in our delegate count and this indicates that many of those undetermined may go over toward McCarthy or McGovern tonight at least they're not for the platform of the administration [Applause] just where we figured out so a loss for about five votes of Humphrey supporters it won't vote for the plank Pennsylvania votes 35 and a quarter

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votes 35 and a quarter ninety-two at 1/4 no one excitation [Applause] that's an increase in coal Humphrey votes in Pennsylvania with the undecideds most of them going over to the anti Humphrey forces that is the anti administration flank it is a very close vote as you see and still within the range of possibility that the still thin range of possibility here that with all those undecided it's apparently flopping over to the to the anti ministration minority flank trying to remain close but the calculation is it shouldn't come out at the end even if all those go over to a victory for the administration but by a narrow margin Humphrey support would show quite a recoil Cassidy it's eight votes no we calculated there twenty-eight - gentlemen South Carolina has 27 votes no one vote yes that's an increase in administration support in South Carolina by some free vote senator George McGovern cast 26 votes yes not an unexpected go to South

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votes yes not an unexpected go to South Dakota although there is one Humphrey delegate out of that madam chairman Tennessee cast two votes yes 49 votes no that's a pickup for the administration for extra votes there Jax is 104 Texas votes 104 votes No not unexpected although there are a couple of McCarthy delegates in that extra delegation long off state [Applause] the Texas vote was 104 votes no Utah 26 Madam Secretary Utah is proud to cast the deciding vote of six votes I 20 votes No he is correct about that of course that puts the anti administration flank in to defeat and the administration apparently has carried the day six no in Virginia

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tomorrow expected loss of three votes on the administration side there [Applause] no Washington 47 madam secretary state of Washington cast 15 and a half votes yes 31 and a half votes no for the Humphrey strength in Washington Madam Secretary West Virginia has eight votes yes and thirty votes no the West Virginia vote eight votes yes thirty votes no Wisconsin 59 votes Mayor Daley and madam chairman [Applause] four hours

early Wisconsin death seven votes no 52 votes yes bowdish figured also wisconsin last night tried to get this meeting adjourned 4:00 p.m. today was overruled and then find out with the disorder that followed that daily for Illinois I got the meeting said at noon Wyoming 18 and a half votes no that's about as expected

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half votes no that's about as expected and as expected also but by perhaps not as close aboard as I've been expected the minority vote minority plank the McCarthy McGovern plank supported by Ted Kennedy we have been to believe has been voted down we still have the Connecticut and the Florida delegations to vote Connecticut Florida passed on that first roll call but of course what they do is not significant at this point as far as the outcome goes we've been led to believe it is going to be quite a demonstration on the floor of this convention when this vote is announced there's an ominous silence out there on the floor right now and then rather forth to us earlier that that airhorns had been smuggled onto the floor by the New York delegation which is passionately against the administration position for the most part the South Dakota delegation said passed out black armbands to put on meanwhile there's quite a demonstration there has been one going on in Chicago of the Yippies and peace marchers they've had a conflict with the police and National Guard forces tear gas canisters have been thrown and been quite a Malay we understand at Grant Park downtown Chicago we also have heard a report that a large number of delegates perhaps as many as 200 according to the count that the supporters of this proposition have intend to walk out of this convention tonight after vice-president Humphrey is nominated which now seems certain a certainty and they will there they already have a room reserved at the

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already have a room reserved at the Drake Hotel where Marcus Raskin the head of the new party says that he will begin organizations of that fourth party effort this year a Liberal Party and which will be on the Left what for the rally of the left what George Wallace's third party movement is for a rally of the right tension is obvious on the floor of this convention hall just waiting for the announcement which is inevitable it is conceivable that some people out there in this delegation in these delegations are difficulty hearing our do not know that they have lost on the minority report but that seems unlikely it is really the calm before the storm as we wait now for the New York delegation to go off the floor and all hundred and ninety members meet in caucus that they have voted of course that's not that there won't be that caucus will be waiting for announcement on I don't see anybody the New York delegation leaving but what wasn't out a call for the yeah they called for them to meet in a caucus room but nobody's leaving the New York delegation in fact Theodore Bikel the actor is busy holding a small seminar of his own down there while we wait for developments here CBS news color coverage of campaign 68 the Democratic National Convention in Chicago will continue in a moment the string is pulled taut here at the Chicago International amphitheater in Chicago at this third day session of the Democratic National Convention this is the 35th National Convention of this

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the 35th National Convention of this party and perhaps the party I'm sure the party has never seen one quite like it now what the situation is is that the major test boat the end of the trail really for the McCarthy and the McGovern forces the trail on which McCarthy launched himself before the end of last year to bring to the people the what he considered the horror of its commitment in Vietnam to bring it to the platform hearing at the Democratic National Convention a plan that moved on to an active campaign for the candidacy for the presidency has come to an end here this afternoon and these delegates know it and those who are strongly and they're almost half of this delegate force strong before the McCarthy McGovern effort are sitting here tensely in this hall as quiet as they've been since any time this convention began waiting for the announcement as they know were - the last hope of a liberal plank on Vietnam in the democratic platform the vote was ten hundred and twenty one for the minority McCarthy McGovern report one thousand four hundred and eighty one and a half against and the votes of Connecticut and Florida are still awaited and that is the

delay the delegates out here know of course that the minority plank was defeated and they have been passing out black armbands those who support the McCarthy McGovern side we heard that noise makers have been smuggled onto the floor and that there would be quite a demonstration when this boat is announced the band is significantly perhaps complain Marshall air [Music] the argument cogent argument before the

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the argument cogent argument before the administration flank which puts by present speakers they maintain that the administration should be left to handle affairs within a peace platform which they maintain the administration platform flank is Dan Rather you're down on the floor they're right amidst the passing out of the armbands Dan yes Walker we're standing in the New York delegation and they're just waiting for the martial music of this official convention ban to die down the band now playing the Marines helm this group is ready to sing we shall overcome the plan is for starting to South Dakota delegation just behind us over here to sweep the floor in wave fashion the forces supporting the Minority Report now defeated Menard report on the Vietnam flank they're going to lock arms and sing in unison we shall overcome and as I say they hope to create a wave fashion throughout the hall Theodore Bikel who's the star of The Sound of Music and a delegate and the New York delegation is to lead to singing one of these gentlemen over here already has his black arm baton sir pardon me could you tell me your name please my name is Gary Gary where you're from sir Nalan hold your arm up here and part of the demonstration of protest Walker will be as you mentioned these black armbands mr. Garza already has his on is everyone to wear one of those that's right the rest of them have some are putting them by their delegate badges Walker now this is to signify what for our position on the war which is well our sympathy number one for the American soldiers who are being killed in Vietnam and but the black armband and sympathy for them yeah right did you really expect to win this vote now we did you didn't then why make the fight it splits

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didn't then why make the fight it splits the party the principle isn't it [Music] now you're going to walk out of this convention over this we have no plans to walk out I'm peg you pardon as if yet we have no plans to walk out now that indicates you probably will have some plans later on Army engineering aside that later on we're not ready for it yet I see this is wearing black because we've seen the death of an open convention today and the death of the hope of the Democratic Party that's why we're in black all right and what is your name sir Jules Feiffer goes Pfeiffer is to fight for a well-known cartoonist editorial cartoonist or you delegate mr. Pfeiffer oh yeah yes and I see you're wearing your black pant as a tie yes I'm wearing a black bandana wearing inside the black band is for the piece flying was incredible is to realize that campaign of 68 which was made by the entrance of eugene mccarthy on the issue of vietnam is coming finally down to a contest it looks like between richard nixon and he would I don't think there's any choice between it so I don't think the emerg being given a choice they obviously want a choice and not being given it I think what's happened here in Chicago this week outside the convention is a foretaste the very thing that's going to happen in this country in an exploit is I don't look go into it are you are you suggesting that a fourth party is needed to carry the the anti-war forces in the campaign speaking as an individual III I think so yes absolutely Jules Feiffer the famed editorial cartoonist this is Dan Rather in the New York delegation Mike Wallace is somewhere over at the head of this delegation Mike stay tuned for further convention coverage tonight at 6:30 till completion here on Channel five

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